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PROVISIONAL AGENDA
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GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION

The draft General Regulations and Rules of Procedure of the WMO, which is annexed herewith, was prepared by the Executive Council of the IMO on the basis of the corresponding Regulations in force in the various Specialized Agencies of the United Nations. Among these Regulations, those of the World Health Organisation seemed to be the most convenient for the WMO purposes. However, when using these models, considerable modifications and adaptations have proved necessary, owing to the special structure and session frequency of WMO bodies.

The prepared draft was thoroughly and repeatedly examined in all its details by the Executive Council and is hereby submitted to the first Congress of the WMO for adoption.

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AGENDA ITEM 14

FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF WMO

The United Nations, in their endeavour to co-ordinate the activities of the Specialized Agencies, prepared in the Spring of 1950, in consultation with these Agencies, a Draft Common Pattern of Financial Regulations, which was proposed for adoption by the United Nations and the corresponding legislative body of each Specialized Agency, with a strong plea that no changes be made in the text as recommended. In the draft itself it was mentioned that a small number of specified regulations might differ, in order to take into account the constitutional differences between the Agencies.

On the basis of the above-mentioned draft, the Executive Council of the IMO has prepared a draft text of Financial Regulations of the WMO and had made every effort to make as little change as possible in the common pattern recommended. Some modifications and adaptations of the draft common pattern have, indeed, proved necessary, in regard to the particular structure of the WMO and to the lower frequency of its sessions.

The Financial Regulations of the WMO, thus prepared by the Executive Council, are only proposed as a basis for discussion and each of the members of the Council wishes to reserve for his Government the right to make comments on these Regulations.

In addition to the Financial Regulations submitted herewith, a set of detailed internal Financial Rules is to be prepared by the Secretary General of the WMO and approved by the Executive Committee. These Financial Rules may be amended from time to time by the Executive Committee as circumstances may indicate. A draft of such Rules, prepared by the IMO Secretariat on the request of the IMO Executive Council, will be available to Congress.

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AGENDA ITEM 15

STAFF REGULATIONS OF WMO

The United Nations, in consultation with most of the Specialized Agencies, prepared - in Spring 1950 - a tentative common pattern of Staff Regulations with the aim of it becoming a common set of staff rules applicable to the United Nations and to the Specialized Agencies.

The Executive Council of the IMO had before it this tentative draft and the text of amendments proposed to it by the Specialized Agencies located in Europe. On the basis of this material, the Council prepared draft Staff Regulations of WMO, which are hereby submitted to the Congress for adoption.

The tentative draft has subsequently undergone further minor amendments proposed by the Specialized Agencies located in America and after formal consideration by the UN and the Specialized Agencies it is due to become the Common Pattern of Staff Regulations for the UN and the Specialized Agencies.

The draft Staff Regulations of WMO, submitted herewith, contain only broad principles, which should be fundamental and relatively permanent. They follow as closely as practicable the general principles laid down by the UN and the Specialized Agencies, except where modification was necessary to meet the needs of the WMO.

The Staff Regulations of WMO, if adopted by Congress, will be completed by a separate set of "Staff Rules", which will be very detailed and may have to be changed from time to time, to meet new or temporary circumstances. These Staff Rules are to be prepared by the Secretary-General and approved by the Executive Committee. A draft of these Rules, prepared by the IMO Secretariat on the request of the IMO Executive Council, will be available to Congress.

The terms of appointment of the Secretary-General of WMO, which will be approved by Congress under Agenda item 16, will constitute Annex I of the Staff Regulations and the grading system and salary scale, which will be adopted by Congress under Agenda item 12, will constitute Annex II of the Staff Regulations.

A subsequent paper will deal with the contents of Annex III of the Staff Regulations, referred to in Regulation 7.1.

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AGENDA ITEM 18

ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND

1. General

According to the general practice of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies agreed upon by the UN Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions :

(a) Each Organization should have a Working Capital Fund to meet :
- delays in the receipt of contributions;
- unforeseen and extraordinary (contingency) expenses which cannot be met from current budgetary provisions; and
- other financing requirements outside the normal scope of the budget appropriations.

(b) The Working Capital Fund should be the subject of regular resolution by the organization's Conference or Assembly as to :
- its amount;
- the purpose and conditions for its use.

(c) Payments by Members into the Fund should be assessed in accordance with a scale to be determined by the Conference or Assembly.

(d) Payments into the Fund by Members should be considered as advances to the Fund. Such advances would be carried to the credit of the Members making such payments.

(e) The amount of the Fund should be determined by the Conference or Assembly on the basis of a realistic appraisal of needs, as demonstrated by experience, taking into consideration the rate of disbursements, the rate of collection of contributions, the nature and size of unforeseen and extraordinary expenses and the size of other authorized demands on the Fund.

2. Establishment of a Working Capital Fund for the WMO

The Executive Council of the IMO, taking into account the principles as set forth above, introduced in the draft Financial Regulations of the WMO a number of regulations relating to the establishment of a Working Capital Fund for the WMO (see Regulations 8.2 to 8.6 of the draft Financial Regulations). The first of these regulations (Regulation 8.2) provided in particular :

(a) that the amount and purposes of the Working Capital Fund so established shall be determined by the Executive Committee;

(b) that the Working Capital Fund shall not exceed the limit fixed by Congress. A draft Resolution for fixing this limit is appended hereto,

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AGENDA ITEM 11

PROGRAMME FOR FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

1. By Resolution II of its Final Act, the Conference of Directors of the IMO, held at Washington in September/October 1947, directed the Executive Council of the International Meteorological Organisation to prepare and to submit to the Members of the World Meteorological Organisation, amongst other documents, proposals as to the programme for the first year of the Organisation. This was to be done before the first meeting of the Congress.

2. The Draft Programme of the WMO, as established by the Executive Council of the IMO, by virtue of the above provision, is submitted in the Appendix herewith.

Other supporting papers regarding this Agenda Item will be circulated at a later date.

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AG ITEM 12

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SECRETARIAT

1. General

By the words "establishment of the Secretariat" is meant the structure, number of staff and salary scales which are necessary for the Secretariat of the World Meteorological Organisation to carry out effectively the functions which are imposed on it by the General Regulations and the programme of work of the WMO. This agenda item should therefore be considered in the light of the Programme of the Organisation, which is the subject of Agenda Item 11.

The Executive Council of the IMO has dealt with this problem of establishment of the Secretariat of the WMO on the assumption that the programme which Congress will approve will, during the first financial year of WMO, be primarily an extension of the activities carried out by the IMO, but in enlarged form. The new responsibilities vizualized eventually for the Organisation will become more evident in subsequent financial years.

2. Structure

Appendix 1 shows the suggested structure of the WMO Secretariat. This structure differs from that of the existing IMO Secretariat in the following respects viz. provision of -

(a) A Technical Division.

(b) An Office of the President

(c) A Conference and External Affairs Section.

(a) The creation of a Technical Division is essential to enable the Secretariat to assist in preparing technical regulations and to perform other technical duties. Among the functions of the Technical Division would be that of giving assistance to smaller countries which are unable to prepare models and handbooks. This material would be established in standard form by the Secretariat.

(b) If the WMO is to function effectively it is essential that arrangements shall exist for framing WMO policy on questions as they arise. Questions frequently arise without warning and a quick decision has to be taken on the attitude to be adopted towards the question and the action to be taken by the WMO. Questions of this kind usually arise from UN or one of the Specialized Agencies. The WMO will not have a council in permanent session, and some other way of dealing with such problems has to be found.

The most practical solution is to provide the President of the WMO with a senior official who would keep in close touch with other

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AGENDA ITEM 20

ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

In order to comply with the provisions of Article 7(i) of the World Meteorological Convention, the First Congress will be called upon to establish Regional Associations and to determine their geographical limits. To this end the Executive Council of the IMO has prepared for submission to Congress proposals including :

- a statement of the boundaries of the new Regions of the WMO (Appendix 1);
- a map showing the boundaries (Appendix 2);
- a list of Members of the Organization in each Region (Appendix 3).

2. In submitting these proposals, the Executive Council offers the following comments :

(a) Number of Regional Associations.
It is suggested that the number of Regional Associations be equal to the existing number of Regional Commissions of the IMO, and that the names of the Regions be the same, i.e.

Region I - Africa
Region II - Asia
Region III - South America
Region IV - North and Central America
Region V - South-West Pacific
Region VI - Europe

(b) Principles governing the limits of Regions.
The Regions proposed for consideration by Congress extend to the oceans and are contiguous. Overlapping has been avoided, as it was considered that difficulties would arise if the same territory was placed in more than one Region in many cases.
In general, the boundaries now proposed follow the national boundaries. There are, however, three territories which are so exceptionally situated that it is justifiable to draw the Regional boundaries through them.
The three countries in question and the boundaries running through them are :

U.S.S.R. - Boundary between Regions II and VI
Malaya - Boundary between Regions II and V
Greenland - Boundary between Regions IV and VI

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ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

In examining the Technical Commissions which should be established under the WMO, the Executive Council of the IMO has followed the principle that :

(i) the number of the Technical Commissions should be as small as possible;

(ii) for each Commission to be established, the terms of reference should be clearly defined at the same time;

(iii) groups of experts dealing with a particular or limited field should constitute Panels, which should be part of, and advisory to, a Technical Commission or which the general field of responsibility comprises the particular subject dealt with by the corresponding Panel;

(iv) the titles of the Technical Commissions should be standardized.

On the basis of the above principles, the Executive Council of the IMO prepared a draft resolution, to be submitted to the consideration of the first Congress of the WMO, which resolution provides for the establishment of the Technical Commissions, of some Panels of Experts and for the terms of reference and the fields of responsibilities of each of them. This draft resolution is annexed to the present document.

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AGENDA ITEM 8

AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

1. Part XII (Article 25) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization reads as follows :

> "The Organization shall be brought into relationship with the United Nations pursuant to Article 57 of the Charter of the United Nations, subject to the approval of the terms of the agreement by two-thirds of the Members which are States."

2. Immediately after the Conference of Directors of the IMO at which the above-quoted Convention was signed on the 11th of October 1947, a special committee of the Conference sat in Washington to examine the Agreements with the United Nations which have already been entered into by other organizations and to recommend the terms of a suitable Agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization.

The draft agreement thus drawn up was sent to the Directors of the Meteorological Services of the World for examination. This draft, amended in the light of the remarks received, and completed by a paragraph 3 (Art. X) on the Laissez-Passer, is submitted to the First Congress of the WMO as a basis for discussion, in pursuance of provision II (5) of the Final Act of the above-mentioned Conference of Directors, by which the Executive Council of the IMO was charged with the preparation and submission to the Members of the WMO of documents and recommendations relating to - amongst other things - a draft Agreement with the United Nations.

3. Before it can be submitted to the General Assembly of the United Nations and to the Congress of the WMO for final approval, the draft Agreement has to be brought into a form that is acceptable to both parties, and for this purpose it is examined by a Negotiating Committee attended by representatives of the two Organizations.

In view of the fact that by the terms of the Convention of the WMO, there may be an interval of four years between sessions of Congress and that any draft Agreement with the United Nations must be approved by two-thirds of its Members, the Secretary-General of the United Nations submitted the question to the Economic and Social Council (of the United Nations) to work out a procedure of negotiations whereby approval by both parties could be obtained without having to wait four years for the next session of the WMO Congress.

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AGENDA ITEM 9

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

1. Procedure.

(a) Privileges and immunities of the Specialized Agencies are covered by a General Convention, which is completed by Annexes relating to the individual Agencies (See Appendix I). As soon as the World Meteorological Organization confirms its intention to become a Specialized Agency of the United Nations, by the submission to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations, of a draft agreement linking it with the United Nations (See Agenda item 8), steps can be taken to initiate action as provided in Section 35 of the aforesaid Convention. In other words, as soon as this draft agreement is submitted to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations for consideration, the ECOSOC could be requested immediately to proceed with the preparation of a draft Annex to the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the Specialized Agencies in respect of the WMO. Then, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, in accordance with the provisions of Section 35 of the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the Specialized Agencies, will transmit to the WMO the draft Annex recommended by the ECOSOC. This draft may be modified by the WMO or not, as desired.

(b) The final text of the Annex will be that approved by the WMO in accordance with its constitutional procedure (Section 36 of the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the Specialized Agencies). The interpretation of Article 27 (c) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization would seem to indicate that the approval of Members of the Organization which are States is required. In the absence of any provision for a special majority under Article 10 (b) of the latter Convention, it also would seem that a majority of two-thirds of the votes cast for and against by Members which are States is the majority which would be appropriate in this case. The votes could be cast either in Congress or by correspondence, depending on the date of transmittal to the WMO by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, of the draft Annex as recommended by the ECOSOC.

(c) A copy of the Annex as approved by the WMO will be transmitted by the Organization to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and shall thereupon replace the draft recommended by the ECOSOC, which is referred to above (Section 36 of the Convention on the privileges and immunities of the Specialized Agencies).

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AG. ITEM 17

MAXIMUM EXPENDITURES DURING FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

GENERAL ESTIMATES

(Explanatory notes to the estimates
submitted by the Executive Council of IMO)

1. Article 9 of the WMO Convention stipulates that meetings of Congress shall be convened at intervals not exceeding four years and in Article 23 of the same Convention it is provided that the Congress shall determine the maximum expenditures which may be incurred by the Organisation on the basis of estimates submitted by the Secretary General and recommended by the Executive Committee.

In accordance with these constitutional provisions, the Secretary General will have to submit to the Executive Committee estimates of maximum expenditure for a period ahead of not less than five years. The Executive Committee will similarly have to recommend to Congress maximum expenditures extending to a period not less then four and a half years ahead.

The Executive Council of the IMO, in preparing the draft WMO budget for the first four-year period of the Organization, was faced with the further difficulty that it was necessary to estimate the maximum expenditure which may be incurred by a new Organisation, the programme, activities, internal organisation and needs of which are not yet defined. Consequently, the draft WMO budget is based on a number of assumptions, and the appropriations inserted therein are to be considered as being only rough estimates for consideration by Congress.

There is little doubt that Congress, in establishing the policy, programme, various Regulations and the general functioning of the Organisation, will find it necessary to amend the draft WMO budget submitted by the Executive Council of the IMO.

2 One concern of the Executive Council, in preparing the draft WMO budget, was to keep the expenditures of the Organisation as low as possible. On the other hand, it was aware of the fact that the drafting of a budget must take into consideration the future activities of the Organisation.

Many new and important activities could be included in the "programme" of the Organisation, resulting either from its aims and purposes, as enumerated in the Convention, or from its collaboration with the United Nations and [illegible]

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AGENDA ITEM 19.

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PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE WMO GENERAL FUND

(Explanatory note to the proposal submitted by the Executive Council of the IMO)

Article 24 of the Convention of the WMO reads as follows :

"The expenditures of the Organisation shall be apportioned among the Members of the Organisation in the proportions determined by the Congress."

It is to be noted that nothing is there said as to the manner in which the relative contributions of Members are to be assessed or of the factors to be taken into account in so doing.

2. The Executive Council of the IMO has devoted much time to the study of this problem, and has agreed that it is impracticable to devise a precise formula for the assessment of contributions. It therefore becomes necessary to base the assessment upon broad principles, taking into consideration such factors as have a bearing on the question. This procedure is admittedly empirical and to some extent arbitrary, but it affords the only practical way of dealing with the problem. United Nations and the Specialized Agencies follow a procedure of this type, although the factors taken into consideration and the weight attached to them vary widely from one Organisation to another.

3. The first factor which suggests itself is the benefit which each Member derives from the WMO. This in turn may depend on some of the following factors :

(a) Size of the country
(b) Population
(c) Economic uses made of meteorology
(d) Size of meteorological Service.

Factor (c) illustrates the difficulty of achieving precise numerical assessment. One country may be largely agricultural, another may possess a substantial fishing industry. The relative value of the WMO to these two countries cannot be calculated in figures. It can, however, be stated that both derive from the WMO benefit which, in this respect, is appreciably greater than that derived by a country which has a very limited economic development.

4. A factor to which some consideration must be given is the ability of a country to pay. This factor is in some cases, but not necessarily all cases, related to the "benefits derived".

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AGENDA ITEM 7

TRANSFER TO WMO OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES AND OBLIGATIONS OF IMO

BASIC RESOLUTIONS ON TRANSFER

The Washington Conference of Directors directed the Executive Council of the IMO, by Resolution II of its Final Act, to prepare and submit to the Members of the World Meteorological Organization, at least six months before the first WMO Congress, the necessary documents relating to "arrangements for the transfer to the World Meteorological Organization of the functions, activities, assets and obligations of the International Meteorological Organisation".

The Executive Council of the IMO, after a thorough study of this question arrived at the conclusion that the best means for effecting the transfer was by the adoption of parallel resolutions by the Extraordinary Conference of Directors of the IMO and by the first Congress of the WMO.

The Executive Council has therefore prepared and submits to the WMO Congress for adoption two basic draft resolutions which are attached and provisionally numbered Cg/7A and Cg/7B.

2. The text of the corresponding resolutions CD/9A and CD/9B, assumed to have been adopted by the Conference of Directors, is given in Information Paper, Cg/Inf.1.

3. The Executive Council of the IMO have ascertained that the two proposed draft resolutions, Cg/7A and Cg/7B, constitute a legally correct way for effecting the transfer of functions, resources and obligations of the IMO to the WMO, and submits them for adoption by the WMO Congress.

4. A further Information Paper, listing in detail the assets and liabilities of the IMO, to be transferred to WMO, will be distributed later.

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TRANSFER TO WMO OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES AND OBLIGATIONS OF IMO

TECHNICAL RESOLUTIONS AND PUBLICATIONS OF IMO FOR ADOPTION BY WMO

1. The following draft resolutions are submitted for adoption to the first Congress of the WMO :

   a. Draft resolution Cg/7C dealing with "Technical Resolutions of the IMO for adoption by the WMO".
   b. Draft resolution Cg/7D dealing with "Transfer to the WMO of publications of the IMO".

2. In establishing the text of the second of the above-mentioned draft resolutions, the Executive Council of the IMO made it quite clear that the words "to take over" only mean that the publications mentioned would continue to be in use and that these words would not prevent the WMO from making any change which it would deem fit in the said publications.

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AGENDA ITEM 17

MAXIMUM EXPENDITURES DURING FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

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TRAVELLING ALLOWANCES FOR WMO OFFICERS

1. According to Article 9 of the Convention, meetings of Congress will be held at intervals not exceeding four years. In the inter-congressional period the Executive Committee, meeting annually, has to ensure the functioning of the Organisation.

One of the most important duties of the Executive Committee is to vote the annual budget of the Organisation. This can be done only if a quorum of members of the Committee attend its annual session. As a consequence of the composition of the Committee, some of its members must come from remote countries and such countries may be reluctant to bear the cost of travelling expenses and subsistence allowance of these members attending annual sessions of the Committee.

It is obvious that not only the voting of the annual budget but many other functions of the Organisation will suffer if a quorum is not reached at the annual sessions of the Executive Committee. In order to avoid this, the Executive Council of the IMO recommends that the expenses of the members of the Executive Committee, when attending the annual sessions of this body, should be borne by the Organisation. To this end, draft resolution Cg/17A, annexed hereto is submitted to the WMO Congress for adoption.

2. It is expected that the World Meteorological Organisation, especially in its capacity as Specialized Agency of the United Nations, will be more frequently and actively represented at international conferences and meetings of other international Organisations. The normal practice followed up till now by the IMO was to find competent persons residing at or near the place of the meeting and to designate them as IMO representatives, without cost to the Organisation.

It is recommended that the same practice should be followed, as far as practicable, under the WMO. In some cases however this practice may prove impracticable, or representation by an official of the Organisation who is especially qualified for dealing with the matter in question, may prove necessary. For these cases, the Executive Council of the IMO recommends that the travelling expenses (and subsistence allowance) of the WMO representatives should be borne by the Organisation.

To cover the cases mentioned above, the Executive Council of the IMO submits the annexed draft resolution Cg/17B for adoption by the Congress.

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AG. ITEM 16

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL

After a thorough study of the conditions under which the Secretary General of the WMO should be appointed, the Executive Council of the IMO decided to prepare a Draft Contract for the Secretary General, which specifies the terms of appointment of the latter as should be approved by a special resolution of Congress, mentioned in the contract.

Accordingly, a "Draft Contract for the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization" is hereby submitted to Congress by the Executive Council of the IMO with the understanding that, in particular, Congress will have to decide upon the date from which the term of appointment of the Secretary General will take effect the date on which the contract will expire, the amounts of the annual salary and the annual lump representation allowance, granted to the Secretary General In the latter respect, reference is made to the figures suggested in Cg 1 / Doc. 7, App. 3, page 2, regarding Ag Item 12.

As mentioned in the penultimate paragraph of Cg 1 / Doc. 4 regarding Ag Item 15, the Terms of Appointment of the Secretary General, once adopted, will constitute Annex I to the Staff Regulations of WMO.

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AGENDA ITEM 2

DRAFT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS OF WMO

The Rules of Procedure for the first Congress have been compiled by the Executive Council of the IMO on the basis of the corresponding rules appearing in the Draft General Regulations of the WMO, to which a very small number of rules, especially needed for the first Congress of the WMO, have been added.

The draft Rules of Procedure for the first Congress thus prepared are submitted to the Congress by the Executive Council of IMO for adoption.

Rules of Procedure for subsequent Congresses will be much reduced as many related rules, contained in the General Regulations of the WMO, will have been adopted by Congress in the meanwhile.

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AGENDA ITEM 3

MEMBERSHIP OF WMO

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP BY THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA AND BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CEYLON

Under the terms of Article 3(c) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization, the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the Government of Ceylon have submitted formal applications for membership in the World Meteorological Organization.

These applications, annexed herewith as Appendices I and II, are submitted to Congress for decision.

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AGENDA ITEM 15

STAFF REGULATIONS OF WMO

Social Security Plan

1. General conditions.

Regulation 7.1 of the Staff Regulations of WMO submitted in draft form by the Executive Council of the IMO (Cg 1/Doc.4) stipulates that :

"In accordance with the conditions specified in Annex III of these Regulations, the Executive Committee shall determine a social security plan providing for the protection of staff members in the event of accident, illness or death, including adequate provisions for sick leave and maternity leave".

A draft Annex III to the above mentioned Regulations, specifying the general conditions according to which a social security plan shall be determined by the Executive Committee, is submitted by the Executive Council of the IMO in Appendix I hereto, for consideration and approval by the Congress at the same time as the Staff Regulations of WMO. The conditions set forth in this draft are based on the general contents of the social security plan as recommended in the report of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Salary, Allowance and Leave Systems, which has also been used as a basis for the determination of the salary scales and allowance system of the WMO staff (see Cg 1/Doc. 7).

2. Detailed rules.

In order to enable the Congress to be fully aware of the implications of a social security plan as contemplated in the Staff Regulations of WMO and Annex III thereto, the IMO Secretariat has been instructed to prepare and make available for information of Congress a detailed draft social security plan.

This draft plan, which is included in Appendix II, will form a part of the Internal Staff Rules which are to be approved by the WMO Executive Committee in accordance with Reg. 14.1 of the Draft Staff Regulations. It is based, in principle, upon the Recommendations of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Salary, Allowance and Leave Systems, referred to in para. 1 above. Since, however, some details of these recommendations, in particular those concerning numerical data, are still to be determined by the United Nations Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions,

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PROGRAMME FOR FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

Technical Meteorological Assistance to Underdeveloped Countries

In relation to its Draft Programme of the WMO (Cg 1 / Doc. 6), the Executive Council of the IMO requested the IMO Secretariat to prepare, for approval by Members of the Executive Council, a memorandum suggesting the general lines on which a technical meteorological assistance plan might be drawn up by the WMO, within the United Nations' expanded programme of technical assistance for the economic development of underdeveloped countries.

The relevant memorandum thus prepared and approved, with some amendments, by the President of the Executive Council of the IMO is appended herewith. The President wishes to make it clear that the advanced time did not permit him to have the memorandum approved by the Executive Council but that it is being distributed on his instructions as a basis for discussion.

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AGENDA ITEM 17

MAXIMUM EXPENDITURES DURING FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

POSSIBLE LOAN FROM UNITED NATIONS

(Submitted by the Executive Council of IMO)

1. In examining the initial financial policy of the WMO, the Executive Council of the IMO was ascertained that the reserve funds of the IMO, to be transferred to the WMO, would not be sufficient to run the WMO until receipt of contributions from its Members.

This problem may be solved, as in the case of several other Specialized Agencies, through a loan to the WMO by the United Nations. The granting of such a loan seems to present no difficulty as can be seen from the following quotation from the Resolution adopted by the UN General Assembly during its 326th meeting on 15th December, 1950.

> "The General Assembly,
> Resolves that :
> . . . . . ,
> 4. The Secretary-General is authorized to advance from the Working Capital Fund :
> . . . . . .
> (d) Loans to specialized agencies and preparatory commissions of agencies to be established by inter-governmental agreement under the auspices of the United Nations to finance their work, pending receipt by the agencies concerned of sufficient contributions under their own budgets. In making such loans, which shall normally be repayable within two years, the Secretary-General shall have regard to the proposed financial resources of the agency concerned, and shall obtain the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for any cash issues which would increase the aggregate balance outstanding (including amounts previously advanced and outstanding) at any one time to an amount in excess of $ 3,000,000, and for any issue which would increase the balance outstanding (including amounts previously advanced and outstanding) in respect of any one agency to an amount in excess of $ 1,000,000".

2. Anticipating that the Congress of WMO might wish to avail itself of this facility, the IMO Executive Council requested the President of the IMO to inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations that the WMO Congress may authorize the submission to the United Nations of a formal application for a loan of about $ 200,000. The Secretary-General of UN has acknowledged receipt of this intimation and has

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AGENDA ITEM 6

ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE WMO

ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE WMO, TO SERVE UNTIL THE CLOSE OF FIRST CONGRESS

(Submitted by the Executive Council of the IMO)

1. At its 1950 session, the Executive Council of the IMO decided to submit to the first Congress of the WMO the following statement :

(i) In the conduct of proceedings of the first Congress it is desirable that the President of the WMO be thoroughly acquainted with all matters to be submitted to the Congress - particularly in relation to legal and procedural matters involved in the transfer from the IMO to the WMO.

(ii) The considerations in paragraph (i) make it highly desirable that the President of the IMO now in office be elected President of the WMO for the period of the first Congress, the succeeding President being elected by the Congress to take office as from the close of the first Congress.

2. The proposal appearing in para. (ii) above is supplementary to Rule 10 of the "Draft Rules of Procedure for First Congress of WMO" (Cg 1 / Doc. 18) and is hereby submitted to Congress for consideration.

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AGENDA ITEM 7

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INCORPORATION OF IMO RESOLUTIONS INTO WMO TECHNICAL REGULATIONS

In connection with the transfer to the WMO of the technical functions of the IMO, the Executive Council have taken steps to sift the existing IMO resolutions, and to present to Congress for adoption only those resolutions which are of a permanent character; they have eliminated as far as possible all discrepancies and doubtful material (see Cg 1/Doc.15 and Cg 1/Inf.1).

At the meeting of the Executive Council of the IMO in 1950 a suggestion was made to transform the technical resolutions of the IMO into WMO Technical Regulations, following Article 7(d) of the WMO Convention. The Executive Council agreed upon the broad lines on which this should be done, and appointed a Working Group consisting of M. Rivet (Chairman), Mr. Bilham, Mr. Hagen and Mr. Kyriakidis, with instructions to draft a scheme for transforming the individual IMO resolutions into a consolidated publication to be known as the WMO Technical Regulations. The short time available has not permitted the drafting of complete Technical Regulations, and the Working Group has had to restrict itself to defining the principles for transforming the IMO resolutions into Technical Regulations, establishing a plan for the Technical Regulations, and drafting a specimen section of the Technical Regulations.

The recommendations of the Working Group are embodied in the attached memorandum. There has not been time to circulate it to all members of the Executive Council, but the President of the Executive Council has authorised its distribution as a basis for discussion by the WMO Congress. It should therefore be understood that members of the IMO Executive Council must be regarded as free to propose amendments to the recommendations put forward by the Working Group.

1 Appendix with 2 annexes.

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AGENDA ITEM 10

FRENCH PROPOSALS FOR A POLICY AND A PROGRAMME FOR THE WMO

1. Detailed study of the agenda of the 1st Congress of the World Meteorological Organization, and in particular of the programme sketched by the Executive Council in Doc. 6, shows that it would be very useful to have a general discussion on the policy to be followed by the Organization and the resulting programme, from the very first meetings of the Congress.

2. The decisions made on these subjects will, in fact, condition to a large degree the decisions of an administrative and financial nature which the Congress will have to make. This discussion would permit precise directives being given to the different Congress committees dealing with questions of organization, administration and finance. It would thus be possible to harmonize the structure of the Organization with the development of its future activity.

3. Detailed proposals relating to the policy of the Organization and to its programme are appended to the present notes. The French Government hopes that these proposals, which relate to items 10 and 11 of the agenda, will, for the reasons indicated above, be discussed from the opening of the Congress.

4. Insofar as the programme for the first budgetary period of the Organization is concerned, the proposals formulated aim less at the immediate implementation of all the projects which it contains, than at clarifying and completing the programme suggested by the Executive Council of the IMC in Doc. 6. The Congress can decide, if it so desires, which part of the programme should be given priority during the first budgetary period.

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AGENDA ITEM 8

AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED NATIONS

1. The draft Agreement with the United Nations, drawn up by the Executive Council of the IMO (see Appendix to Doc. 10) was sent to the Secretary-General of the United Nations to serve, if agreed upon, as a basis of the negotiations for its conclusion.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations submitted the draft to the Economic and Social Council (UN Document E/L. 134) and in addition he submitted to the same body a comparison of the text of the draft with the texts of other Agreements existing between the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies (UN Document E/L. 135).

The text of the latter document is reproduced in Appendix I herewith.

2. In January 1951, the United States of America proposed that the Economic and Social Council adopt a resolution on "Emergency action by the Economic and Social Council and the Specialized Agencies to assist in the maintenance of international peace and security". The communication thereon addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the draft resolution proposed (UN Document E/1897) are given in Appendix II herewith, as they may have a bearing on the draft Agreement to be negotiated with the United Nations.

3. This Document and its Appendices are submitted to Congress on the instructions of the President of the IMO Executive Council.

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International Institute of the Arid Zone

1. The delegation of India at the 3rd session of the General Conference of UNESCO (Beyrouth, 1948) submitted the proposal for the establishment of an international Institute of the Arid Zone. On the instructions of the Conference, the Director-General of UNESCO convened a Study Group in Lake Success (August 1949) and, subsequently, a Committee of Experts in Paris (5-7 December 1949), both to study the Indian proposal.

The Committee of Experts recommended that, before creating the international Institute, an international Council should be set up to study the scientific and technical problems of arid and semi-arid areas. The objectives of this Council were suggested by the Committee of Experts one of which was the study of the proposal for setting up an international Institute of the Arid Zone.

2. The General Conference of UNESCO, at its 5th session (Florence, 1950, instructed the Director-General to take measures, in close collaboration with the United Nations and the competent Specialized Agencies, for the creation of an international organism of the Arid Zone.

3. During the 11th session of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (Geneva, July-August 1950) the delegations of India and of the United States submitted a draft resolution aiming at the co-ordination of United Nations activities for the development of the arid zone research. The ECOSOC, at its 405th meeting on the 9th August 1950 and on recommendation of its Co-ordination Committee, adopted its Resolution 324 D (XI) on this matter, the text of which appears in Appendix I.

4. In accordance with the recommendations of the Committee of Experts, the Director-General of UNESCO constituted an Interim International Arid Zone Research Council, the members of which were selected by him from among individuals proposed by Egypt, France, India, Israel, Mexico, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. The members were selected in their individual capacities as qualified experts on various aspects of Arid Zone research.

The Interim Council met in Paris (20-23 November 1950). The [illegible] participated at this meeting, Messrs A. Viaut and J.R. Rivet having represented the Organisation.

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UNITED NATIONS RESEARCH LABORATORIES

In connection with the draft Programme of the WMO (Cg.1/Doc. 6), the IMO Secretariat has prepared a memorandum on the question of the establishment of International Research Laboratories. This memorandum was to be submitted to the members of the IMO Executive Council for approval, before its submission to the WMO Congress.

The memorandum, approved by the President of the Executive Council of the IMO, is appended hereto. The President wishes to make it clear that time did not permit him to refer the memorandum to the Executive Council, but that it is being distributed on his instructions as a basis for discussion.

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PROGRAMME FOR FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

PARTICIPATION OF THE WMO IN THE
U.N. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME *)

(Presented by the United States)

1. It is considered that it is highly desirable that the WMO should participate in the U. N. Technical Assistance Program, as it affords a valuable opportunity for reinforcing the efforts of national and territorial administrations, with meteorogical services which are below the appropriate standard, to raise the level of their services.

2. Steps which might be taken immediately by the WMO Secretariat are:

(a) To prepare in consultation with the Executive Secretary of the Technical Assistance Board an outline of the various forms in which technical assistance could be rodered.

(b) To estimate what projects are likely to be requested and instituted in 1952 and the overall cost of those and to submit this estimate to the July 1951 session of ECOSOC with a request for the necessary allocations from the 1952 Technical Assistance Fund.

(c) To circulate the outline referred in (a) to all States and territories with independent meteorological services with the suggestion that any State or territory which desires technical assistance in one or more of the forms indicated should submit an official request to the WMO for such assistance with a detailed statement of the deficiencies which it is proposed to remedy through technical assistance and any other information which will be of assistance to the Secretariat in assessing the precise nature, magnitude and cost of the proposed project or projects.

(d) To prepare on the basis of the requests received under (c), a detailed plan for the provision of technical assistance to specific countries.

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AGENDA ITEM 2

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS[x)]

(Presented by the United States)

Rule 18: Delete proposed text and substitute the following:

"In addition to exercising the powers conferred upon him elsewhere by these regulations, the President shall declare the opening and closing of each meeting of the Congress, shall direct the discussion, ensure observance of these regulations, accord the right to speak, put questions to the vote and announce decisions. The President, subject to these regulations, shall have control of the proceedings of the Congress and over the maintenance of order at its meetings. He shall rule on points of order and shall have in particular the power to propose adjournment or closure of the debate of adjournment or suspension of a meeting."

Reason -- Improved wording in line with that used in United Nations and other Specialized Agencies.

Rule 19: Delete and substitute the following:

"During the discussion of any matter, a delegate may at any time raise a point of order, and the point of order shall be immediately decided by the President in accordance with the rules of procedure. A delegate may appeal the rule of the President. The appeal shall be immediately put to the vote, and the ruling of the President shall stand unless overruled by a majority of the members present and voting. A delegate raising a point of order may not speak on the substance of the matter under discussion."

Reason -- Improved wording in line with that used in United Nations and other Specialized Agencies.

Rule 20: Delete and substitute the following:

"Congress may limit the time allowed to each speaker and the number of times each delegate may speak on any

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AGENDA ITEM 7

TRANSFER TO WMO OF FUNCTIONS, RESOURCES AND OBLIGATIONS OF IMO*)

(Presented by the United States)

1. Draft Resolution Cg/7A appears to require an additional clause on the lines of Attachment A hereto, by which the WMO takes over the Technical Commissions, Subcommissions, etc. of the IMO, as interim committees of experts, to function until the corresponding WMO constituent bodies are functioning. Time may be required to activate the WMO commissions and it would appear desirable that the IMO bodies be kept in being by the WMO to act as caretakers in their respective fields and to continue work on the various projects in hand, until the first working sessions of the corresponding WMO bodies.

2. Draft Resolution Cg/7C might be amended to read as follows:

"The Congress hereby resolves to recommend that Members of the Organization shall follow, in accordance with Article 8 of the Convention and until amended by further Resolutions of the Organization, the technical procedures and practices recommended by the International Meteorological Organization and contained in the following publications:

(a)
(b)
(c)
(d)
(e)

As in original draft appended to Doc. 15

(f) The Guide to International Meteorological Instrument and Observing Practice (IMO Publication No. 78)

(g) General Regulations for the Provision of Meteorological Service for International Aeronautics (IMO Publication No. 72), until superseded by the "Specifications for Meteorological Services for International Air Navigation"

(h) The "Specifications for Meteorological Services for International Air Navigation", as from the date upon which these Specifications replace IMO Publication No. 72

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AGENDA ITEM 18

ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND
PROPOSED AMENDED RESOLUTION ON THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND *)
(Presented by the United States)

In lieu of Draft Resolution Cg/18, a Resolution on the following lines is proposed:

"WHEREAS:

The Financial Regulations of the Organization provide for the establishment of a Working Capital Fund financed by advances from Members in proportion to the scale of assessments specified in Annex I thereto;

CONGRESS HEREBY RESOLVES:

(a) that a Working Capital Fund shall be established for the following purposes:

(i) to finance budgetary appropriations pending receipt of contributions, sums so advanced from the Fund being reimbursed as soon as receipts from contributions are available for this purpose.

(ii) to provide such sums as may be necessary to cover expenditures arising out of any unforseen and extraordinary activities of the Organization which may be approved by the Executive Committee.

(b) that the amount which Members shall be required to advance to the Working Capital Fund during the first financial period shall be $200,000.

(c) that the amount to be advanced by Members in the first fiscal year shall be $100,000 and that, in each of the subsequent fiscal years of the same period, the total advance called for shall be $25,000, subject to the provision that any Member may elect to make advances in excess of its annual assessment in order to discharge more rapidly its obligations to the Fund."

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ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS *

(Presented by the United States)

Two points in connection with the boundaries proposed in Doc. 8 appears to merit consideration:

(a) It seems desirable, wherever possible, not to draw boundaries through national networks, as is done in the cases of Greenland and Malaya, so as to avoid creating difficulties due to the overlapping of differing regional procedures in a particular area. The boundary as presently drawn through Greenland might be therefore moved to put Greenland completely in R. IV or R. VI, and that through Malaya might be drawn so as to put Malaya completely in R. II or R. V.

(b) It seems desirable to bring into one region the main body of islands in the Pacific. This result could be achieved by making the following relatively minor changes:

Change boundary of II/V from 20° N 130°E-20°N 180°E 20½°N 180°E to 20°N 130°E-23½°N 140°E-23½°N 180°E-30°N 180°E and change boundary of IV/V from 30°N 180°W-10°N 180°W-10°N 120°W to 30°N 180°W-30°N 140°W-10°W 120°W.

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AGENDA ITEM 14

ESTABLISHMENT OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF WMO *)
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO DRAFT FINANCIAL REGULATIONS
OF THE WMO (G.1/DEC.3).
Presented by the United States

The following amendments to the Appendix to Doc. 3 are suggested for consideration by Congress:

Regulation 1: Delete and insert:

"Status of the Financial Regulations and Procedure for Amendment

1.1 The following Financial Regulations of the World Meteorological Organization specify the procedures, approved by Congress, which shall be followed in the financial administration of the Organization; the amplify, and are subject to, the provisions of the Convention of the World Meteorogical and in the event of conflict between any provision of these Regulations and any provision of the Convention, the Convention shall prevail.

1.2 These Regulations may be amended by Congress or, if it would not be in the interests of the Organization to defer an amendment until the next session of Congress, by the Executive Committee. An amendment made by the Executive Committee shall be subject to approval by Congress at its next following session.

1.3 Any further decision of Congress or of the Executive Committee regarding a procedure to be followed in the financial administration of the Organization which represents an addition to or amplification of the financial procedures specified in the Convention or in these Regulations shall normally be incorporated in these Regulations as an amendment thereto.

Regulation 1A - "Supplementary Financial Rules":

1.1a The Secretary General may, subject to approval by the Executive Committee, prescribe such supplementary Financial Rules as he may deem necessary for the proper functioning of the financial administration of the Organization provided that such Financial Rules are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Convention and these Financial Regulations."

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AGENDA ITEM 13

ESTABLISHMENT OF GENERAL REGULATIONS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF WMO

GENERAL REGULATIONS OF THE WMO

(Presented by the United States)

1. Although progress has been made in Doc. 2 towards generalizing the Regulations so that, so far as practicable, a regulation shall apply to all constituent bodies, a considerable number of regulations remain drafted in a form which makes them applicable to one body only. It is considered that, by classifying the regulations by "subject" rather than by "constituent body," and drafting each regulation, so far as possible, in a generalized form, an appreciable simplification of the text will be achieved.

2. A number of additional points (e.g. arrangements for collaboration with other organizations, reimbursement of travelling expenses of elected officers, attendance of members as observers at sessions of Regional Associations, arrangements for Joint Committees and for Joint Sessions of constituent bodies, etc.) might also be covered in these Regulations.

3. With the above considerations in mind, the attached alternative draft of the General Regulations has been prepared by the United States and is submitted for examination by Congress.

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AGENDA ITEM 30

RELATIONS WITH OTHER SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS *)

(Presented by the United States)

1. Other specialized agencies interested in meteorology as it affects their respective fields include. ITU, ICAO, IMCO, FAO and UNESCO. Other international organizations include UGGI and IATA. It appears desirable that the WMO should establish, at the outset, an understanding with each of these agencies regarding the manner in which matters of joint interest should be handled.

2. At the February 1948 meeting of the Preparatory Committee of Experts (UN, ITU, IMCO, IMO and ICAO) for the 1948 Conference on the Safety of Life at Sea the question of interagency coordination was discussed and it was agreed that in principle this could be achieved by correspondence between the respective Secretariat Headquarters and by the sending of observers to each other's meeting.

3. In the case of ICAO and IMO this machinery has been supplemented by arranging for simultaneous meetings of the two Working Committees (MET Division and CMAe) concerned with the common field of interest.

4. Collaboration with ITU, IMCO, FAO and UNESCO can probably be satisfactorily achieved, at least in the initial stages, simply by the exchange of observers. In the event of more complex machinery being, or eventually becoming, necessary, an arrangement on the lines of that adopted for collaboration between IMO and ICAO might be developed.

5. The question of relationships with the IUGG appears to require special examination. In the past the relationship of the IMO to the IUGG (and in particular the International Meteorological Association of the IUGG) has presented no problem since the IMO has not concerned itself with research and the development of the science of meteorology, which has been the province of the IMA of the IUGG. The WMO, however, is charged with a responsibility in regard to research and there is now therefore an overlapping field of interest.

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AGENDA ITEM 15

ESTABLISHMENT OF STAFF REGULATIONS OF WMO
(presented by the United States)*

1. The Staff Regulations proposed in Doc. 4 are on the same lines as those of the United Nations. This feature will doubtless commend itself to Congress.

2. It is considered that the Staff Regulations might be based upon the following principles, in addition:

   (a) that each WMO international grade be classified as one of the U.N. grades.

   (b) that, whenever possible, the leave, allowances and privileges of a member of the WMO international staff should be specified as those granted to the equivalent U.N. grade under U.N. regulations. (This will promote uniformity and avoid detailed discussion of all such points by Congress or the Executive Committee.)

   (c) that all details in regard to locally recruited staff should be settled by the Secretary General subject only to the overall approval of the Executive Committee and to the financial limitations imposed by the approved budget.

3. Desirable modifications to Doc. 4, based mainly on these principles, are as follows:

   (1) Insert the following two sections as a Preamble:

   "A. STATUS OF THE STAFF REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR AMENDMENT

   1. The following Staff Regulations of the World Meteorological Organization specify the procedures and principles approved by Congress for application in the employment of staff by the Organization. They amplify the procedures of the Convention in regard to the employment of staff but in the event of any conflict between any provision of these Regulations and a provision of the Convention, the Convention shall prevail.

   2. These Staff Regulations may be amended by Congress or, if it would not be in the interests of the Organization to defer an amendment until the next session of Congress, by the Executive Committee; an amendment made by the Executive Committee shall be subject to approval by Congress at its next following session.

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AGENDA ITEM 11

PROGRAMME FOR FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR TRUST TERRITORIES AND TO NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES.

At its meetings on the 12th and the 15th December 1951, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted two Resolutions, one dealing with Technical Assistance for Trust Territories and the other with Technical Assistance to non-self-governing Territories.

On the instructions of the President of the IMO Executive Council, the text of the above Resolutions are given in Appendices I and II hereto.

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ENGLISH ITEM 10

DETERMINATION OF GENERAL POLICIES
FOR FULFILLMENT OF PURPOSES OF WMO

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO LIBYA

The General Assembly of the United Nations has adopted two Resolutions on technical assistance to Libya, on 17th November and 15th December, 1950, respectively. The first Resolution recommends that the specialized agencies should extend to Libya such technical and financial assistance as they may be in a position to offer, and the second Resolution instructs the Secretary-General of the United Nations to study the problem of war damages in connection with the technical and financial assistance which Libya may request from the Economic and Social Council and the specialized agencies.

In accordance with the instructions given by the President of the Executive Council of the IMO, the texts of the above mentioned resolutions are reproduced in Appendices I and II hereto.

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AGENDA ITEM 29

INTERPRETATION OF THE WMO CONVENTION

Attention has been drawn to a discrepancy between the English and French texts of Article 5 of this Convention. These two texts are quoted below for comparison :

(a) Eligibility for election to the offices of President and and Vice President of the Organisation, of President and Vice-President of the Regional Associations, and for membership, subject to the provisions of Article 13 (c) of the present Convention on the Executive Committee should be confined to the Directors of Meteorological Services of Members of the Organisation.

(a) Seuls les Directeurs des Services Météorologiques des Membres de l'Organisation pourront être élus à la Présidence et aux Vice-Présidences de l'Organisation, à la Présidence et Vice-Présidence des Associations Régionales, et sous réserve des dispositions de l'article 13, alinéa (c), de la présente Convention, comme Membres du Comité Executif.

According to the English text it is possible to elect as President or Vice-President of the Organisation and of each of the Regional Associations individuals who, not only are not Directors of Meteorological Services, but may not be meteorologists. In the case of Article 6, the Conference recognised that is was necessary to allow a certain measure of freedom to a government in designating its principal delegate "who should be the director of its meteorological service", but who might be some other person. On the other hand, it was considered that this freedom should not extend to certain posts in the Organisation (Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the WMO and of Regional Associations), and that these appointments should be restricted to directors of meteorological services.

Reference to the Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Washington Conference (IMO Publication No. 71, page 591) shows that the Conference approved the English text with the wording "shall be confined to the Directors of meteorological services of Members of the Organisation". This version also agrees with the French text quoted above.

It seems clear, therefore, that the divergence arises through a clerical error having crept into the English text, the word "shall" having inadvertently become replaced

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AGENDA ITEM 4

SETTING UP CONGRESS COMMITTEES

(Submitted by the French delegation)

In order to reduce the length of the discussions in plenary sessions, it would be advisable to group the questions on the agenda which apply to similar subjects, and, after rapid examination at a plenary session, allot them to Committees drawn up in accordance with Item 4 (d) of the agenda and requested to make a report.

The French delegation suggests that the following Committees should be set up:

1 – Administrative and Financial Committee

2 – Juridical Committee

3 – Programme Committee

4 – Regulations Committee

The Administrative and Financial Committee would examine questions relating to:

7 – The transfer to the WMO of the functions, resources and liabilities, etc., of the IMO.

11 – Programme of the first budget period.

12 – Appointment of the Secretariat:

a) structure

b) number of staff

c) staff salary scale.

14 – Establishing the Financial Regulations of the WMO.

15 – Establishing Staff Regulations of the WMO.

17 – Maximum expenditure figure during the first budget period.

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AGENDA ITEM 3

ZENTRALANSTALT FUR METEOROLOGIE UND GEODYNAMIK
Vienna XIX Hohe Warte 38

Vienna, 15th March 1951

No. ZL 367/51

Secretariat of the IMO/WMO Conference
Palais d'Orsay
9, Quai Anatole France
Paris 7
France.

The Directorate of the Central Institute for Meteorology and Terrestrial Dynamics requests its admission to the WMO in accordance with Article 3, Point C, of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization.

A copy of a letter of the Federal Ministry of Education referring to this subject is attached.

signed: Prof. Dr. H. Ficker
Director

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AGENDA ITEM 28

DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC AND THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

(Submitted by the French Delegation)

To ensure that the World Meteorological Organization shall enjoy the privileges, immunities and facilities necessary for its operation on French territory,

The Government of the French Republic,

The World Meteorological Organization,

have concluded the following agreement:

ARTICLE I - The World Meteorological Organization hereafter referred to as the Organization shall possess juridical personality.

In order to fulfil its purposes and exercise its functions, it shall have the capacity:

a) to contract

b) to acquire and dispose of immovable and movable property,

c) to institute legal proceedings.

ARTICLE - - The Organization shall enjoy immunity from every form of judicial process.

No proceedings may be instituted against it unless it expressly waives this immunity for the purpose of any particular proceedings or unless this waiver follows from the terms of a contract.

ARTICLE 3 - The premises of the organization, its archives and, in general, all documents belonging to it or held by it shall be inviolable.

Nevertheless, the Organization shall not allow its premises to be used to harbour any person against whom a warrant for arrest has been issued by the French authorities.

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AGENDA ITEM 4

PROPOSAL BY THE FRENCH DELEGATION

CONCERNING:

1) the Drafting Committee,
2) Minutes.

1) The functions of the DRAFTING COMMITTEE of the Conference shall be to draw up documents and resolutions prior to their submission to the Conference for approval.

The texts prepared by the Drafting Committee shall be distributed to Delegates at least 24 hours before their submission to the Conference for approval.

2) MINUTES shall be distributed during the 24 hours following the meeting.

Within 24 hours of this distribution, Delegates shall notify the Conference Secretariat (Room 12 2) in writing of any corrections.

This will make available to the Chairman for approval by the Conference, the minutes and the corrections by countries, thus expediting the work of the Conference.

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LIST OF DELEGATIONS PRESENT.

ARGENTINA		
	J. E. Monasterio	Principal delegate
AUSTRALIA		
	A. W. Fitock	Principal delegate
BELGIUM		
	E. Lahaye	Principal delegate
	O. Godart	Delegate
BELGIAN CONGO		
	M. Vanderelst	Principal delegate
BERMUDA		
	W. A. Macky	Principal delegate
BRAZIL		
	A. L. R. Soares	Principal delegate
	[illegible]	Alternate to principal delegate
	M. Ordini de Castro	Delegate
	L. Machado	Delegate
BRITISH WEST AFRICA		
	J. [illegible] Davies	Principal delegate
	E. G. Day	Delegate
BRITISH WEST AFRICA		
	J. T. Clarkson	Principal delegate
BURMA		
	[illegible]	Principal delegate
BYELORUSSIA, USSR		
	A. Soulavko	Principal delegate

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Agenda Item 2

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY AUSTRALIA TO RULES CONTAINED IN DOC 18

RULE 21

(1) Delete clause (b)

Grounds for Deletion. The W.M.O. is an organization of Governments, and a motion by a Government, submitted by its delegate, should not require a seconder, since such a motion is often an expression of Government policy which should not be hindered by the requirement of co-sponsorship.

(2) Delete clause (c)

Grounds for deletion. The normal procedure is for all amendments, except drafting amendments, to a proposal to be submitted a reasonable period, say 24 hours, in advance, so that delegations may familiarize themselves with the questions involved in advance.

(3) Add a new clause after that marked (1) as follows

" Resolutions shall be communicated to Members of the Organization within ..... days of the close of the Session " (15 days is suggested).

Reason for addition. The Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Members will have responsibilities in regard to the international meteorological activities which may concern their States, and it is desirable that provision be made for the earliest practicable advice to be forwarded to those Ministries regarding resolutions which Congress may have adopted.

RULE 26

Add " Abstentions from voting shall not count as votes cast".

Reason for proposed addition. Some difficulty has occurred in other organizations on the question of whether an abstention is considered as a vote. The Standard United Nations practice is not to count an abstention.

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AGENDA ITEM 19

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE W.M.O. GENERAL FUND

(Submitted by the Principal Delegate of The British East African Territories and Indian Ocean Islands Delegation.)

INTRODUCTION.

1. The Member of W.M.O. known as "British East African Territories and Indian Ocean Islands" comprises two previous Members of I.M.O. - "British East Africa" and "Mauritius". The proposed contributions to the W.M.O. General Fund given in the Appendix to Cg 1/Doc 13 are listed under the old I.M.O. titles and are:

British East Africa	10 Units
Mauritius	2 Units

The proposed contribution of the new single Member of W.M.O. is thus presumed to be 12 Units.

2. The purpose of this paper is to demonstrate that the proposed contribution is excessive and at the same time to submit a revised proposal for a more equitable contribution.

BASIS OF EXISTING PROPOSALS

3. The factors on which the existing proposals are based are explained in Cg 1/Doc 13. That document draws attention to the impracticability of devising a precise formula for the assessment of contributions and lists several broad factors which have been taken into account in making assessments. These factors are numbered 1 - 4 in the list given below. A further factor which should be taken into account and which has not been considered in Cg 1/Doc 13 is the voting power of the Member. The W.M.O. Convention lays down specific subjects on which only Members which are States may vote. This factor is numbered 5 in the list below. The complete list of factors considered in this present paper is therefore:

(1) Benefits which each Member derives from W.M.O.

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COMMENTS OF THE FRENCH DELEGATION

ON THE DRAFT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE FIRST CONGRESS

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The French delegation proposes:

a) to replace Paragraph 14 of the draft rules, by the following:

"The Drafting Committee shall be responsible for drawing up the final text of the decisions taken by the Congress with a view to their final adoption by the Congress."

"The drafts of the text drawn up by the Drafting Committee shall be handed to delegates 24 hours before their examination."

b) to add the following sentence to Paragraph 29:
"Voting by secret ballot has preference over any other method of voting."

c) to insert a fresh paragraph after Paragraph 30:
"The decisions of Congress Committees shall be taken by a clear majority of votes recorded for and against, by members of the Committee."

d) Replace Paragraphs 37 and 38 by the following paragraph:
"The Secretariat shall draft the summarised minutes of Congress sessions. These minutes shall be submitted to the Congress for approval at the first session held when 48 hours have elapsed after their distribution.

e) delete Section IC of the Draft Rules of Procedure.

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RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY PORTUGAL TO RULES CONTAINED IN Cg 1 / Doc 18 (13. III. 1951)

Rule 1: Delete on line 5 "at or before the opening of the first congress".

Reason - Cases may arrive that a Member of the Organisation only can designate the names and official capacities of its delegates to the first Congress, after the opening of the congress.

Rule 2: Insert on line 13, after Organisation : "or to the President of the World Meteorological Organisation if already elected".

Reason - The same for proposed amendment to rule 1.

Rule 6: Insert on line 35, after Committee: "or of the President of the World Meteorological Organisation".

Rule 15 A: Insert the following

Each delegate may attend the meetings of Committees and sub-committees and upon permission by the chairman of the committee or of the sub-committees may participate in the discussions.

Reason - Delegations and in particular small delegations only can attend regularly the meetings of a limited number of committees or sub-committees but may be interested in a particular phase of the activity of other committee or sub-committee.

Rule 40: Delete and substitute the following:

In committees and sub-committees, speeches in either of the working languages shall be interpreted into the other working language, upon request of one or more delegates.

Reason - Committees or sub-committees may deem as not necessary translation of a speech into the other working language of Congress.

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RULES OF PROCEDURES FOR FIRST CONGRESS

Amendments to the proposals contained in Doc.30"
" Proposed by the Egyptian Delegation "

(1) p.2 rule 45 line 33
delete " of one or more "
substitute " more than five "

Reason: By definition, a network of stations should consist of a multiple of meshes. A mesh consists normally of at least three stations.

Further, it is considered that any number of stations below five is not of sufficient value to be represented as a member in the Regional Associations, and that such a small number of stations can be expected to comply with the regional recommendations without voting in their determination, bearing in mind that a member controlling such a small number of stations can always participate in the meetings of the Regional Associations (Article 18b of Convention).

(2) p.2 rule 45 line 40
delete " or within an adjacent region "

Reason: Direct conflict with the Convention (Art.18a of the Convention)

Further, members whose networks (or met. offices providing met. services to users), lie in an adjacent region are only entitled to attend the meetings of the Regional Associations to which they do not belong, take part in the discussions, present their views upon questions affecting their own Met. Services but shall not have the right to vote (Art. 18b of the Convention).

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RULES OF PROCEDURE OF FIRST CONGRESS

Amendments presented by Ireland

Rule 15 - It is considered that all committees and sub-committees should have the right to elect their own Chairman.

Proposal : Delete the words "unless ... otherwise" in line 36, page 2, Appendix to Doc. 18.

Rules 21 and 6 - It is considered that the following amendments shall bring the procedures outlined more in agreement with current practice.

Proposals:

1. Rule 21 - Delete the words "may be applied" in line 2.
2. Rule 21(a) - After "delegate" in first line, add the words "or observer".
3. Rule 21(b) - Add after "no" in first line the word "nomination". Add at end of paragraph "no motion; resolution or amendment moved by an observer shall be discussed before it has been seconded by two delegates".
4. Rule 21(d) - In place of "An Amendment" in 1st line, write "A motion or amendment". After "seconder in 2nd line, insert the words "or seconders".
5. Rule 6 - In last line, delete the words "to move or second motions or".

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(Comments submitted jointly
by the Delegations of the USSR and
the Ukranian SSR)

Rule 6 - The wording to be replaced by the following :

"On a proposal by the President of the IMO or of one of the Principal Delegates, and with the approval of the Congress, the representatives of other international organizations may attend the Congress ; such representatives may participate in the discussions but shall not be entitled to vote."

Reason : "Collaboration with other international organizations comes within the scope of the activities of Congress."

In so far as invitations to attend Congress addressed to Directors of Meteorological Services or to any other person are concerned, the procedure for invitations is laid down under Article 6b of the Convention.

Rule 13 - The wording to be replaced by the following :

"The Nomination Committee shall consist of twelve Principal Delegates, so as to include at least one Principal Delegate from each region of the WMO.

Reason : Taking into consideration the importance of this Committee, it is essential that representatives of each WMO region shall be represented thereon.

Rule 17 - The wording to be replaced by the following :

"In accordance with the decision of Congress, matters on the Agenda may either be submitted for prior consideration to Committees, or be laid directly before the plenary meeting of Congress.

Reason : To conform to the procedure generally adopted in other international organizations.

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(Comments by United Kingdom)

Document 18

Rule 11 Delete "constituent" in line 19. The term "constituent body" is defined in the draft general regulations in a sense that would not cover sub-committee)

Rule 15 Substitute "body" for "authority" in line 36.

Rule 16 For "brought to final action" substitute "finally disposed of".

Rule 3. In lines 20 and 26 after "twice" insert "the number of".

Section X Delete the whole of this section. Document 18 is intended to establish rules of procedure for the Congress, whereas Section X is concerned with a substantive technical problem. It would be more convenient for the contents of Section X to be taken under items 20 and 21 of the Agenda. This should also make it easier for Congress to dispose of Document 18 with a minimum of delay.

Document 30

Rule 19 Delete "the rule" in line 23 and substitute "against the ruling".

In suggesting these amendments, the Delegation of the United Kingdom has taken into account that Document 18 relates to the First Congress only and reserves the right to propose further amendments on Document 2 and to argue that decisions taken on Document 18 shall not be regarded as precedents in relation to Document 2.

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AGENDA ITEM 6

AGREEMENT WITH UNITED NATIONS

The Committee on Negotiating with Specialized Agencies of the Economic and Social Council prepared recently a revised text of the draft Agreement, established by the IMO and given in Cg 1 / Doc. 10.

This revised text is given in Appendix to the present document. It is understood that this text is proposed to serve as a basis of the negotiating for the conclusion of an agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization.

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AGENDA ITEM 2

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FIRST CONGRESS

(Presented by the British East African Territories)

(and Indian Ocean Islands)

The draft Rules of Procedure for First Congress of W.M.O as contained in Cg 1/ Doc. 18 require classification on certain points relating to Members which are not States. It is with a view to effecting such classification that the following amendments to Cg 1/ Doc 18 are proposed.

Rule 21 -

(1) Add to clause (a) :

" This applies whether or not the item relates to a subject listed in Article 10 (a) of the Convention".

(2) Add new clause

"(j) Discussion of any item is open to all delegates and observers whether or not the item relates to a subject listed in Article 10 (a) of the Convention".

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AGENDA ITEM 7

The document Doc. 14/Rev.1 should be considered as number 57 and its numbering should be changed as indicated above.

Furthermore, Draft Resolution Cg/7 A contained in the Appendix to this document should be replaced in the French version by a new text. This new text is not attached to the English copies of the present document Cg 1/ Doc 57 but it figures as an Appendix to the French copies of this same document.

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MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING

19th March 1951 at 14.30

The first Congress of the World Meteorological Organization was held at Paris in the halls of the Hotel du Palais d'Orsay, 9 Quai Anatole France.

PRESIDENT: Sir Nelson K. Johnson
President of the International Metorological Committee

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ARGENTINA

C. M. Monasterio	Principal delegate

AUSTRALIA

E. W. Tincke	Principal delegate
J. M. McMillan	Delegate

BELGIUM

P. Lahaye	Principal delegate
C. Godart	Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

H. Vander Elst	Principal delegate

BERMUDA

W. ... Macky	Principal delegate

BRAZIL

F. X. R. Sousa	Principal delegate
J. C. J. Schmidt	Alternate to principal delegate
M. Orsini de Castro	Delegate
L. Ratisbona	Delegate

BRITISH EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES AND INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS

L. ... Davies	Principal delegate
L. G. Davy	Delegate

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MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING
20th March 1951, at 10.00h.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ARGENTINA

C.N. Monasterio	Principal delegate

AUSTRALIA

E.W. Timcke	Principal delegate
J.M. McMillan	Delegate

BELGIUM

E. Lahaye	Principal delegate
O. Godart	Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

N. Vander Elst	Principal delegate

BERMUDA

W.A. Macky	Principal delegate

BRAZIL

F.X.R. Souza	Principal delegate
J.C.J. Schmidt	Alternate to principal delegate
M. Orsini de Castro	Delegate

BRITISH EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES AND INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS

D.A. Davies	Principal delegate
E.G. Davy	Delegate

BYELORUSSIA - SSR

A. Boulavko	Principal delegate

CANADA

A. Thomson	Principal delegate
J. Patterson	Alternate to principal delegate
O.G. Stoner	Delegate

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ITEM 26

D R A F T A G R E E M E N T

between

THE SWISS FEDERAL COUNCIL

and

THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

to govern the legal status
of this Organization in Switzerland

(Submitted by the Swiss Delegation)

The Swiss Federal Council
on the one hand,

The World Meteorological Organization
on the other,

being desirous to conclude an agreement with a view to governing the judicial status, in Switzerland, of the World Meteorological Organization, have agreed upon the following dispositions :

Article 1

Liberty of action of the WMO

The Swiss Federal Council guarantees the World Meteorological Organization the independence and liberty of action which is its right as an international institution.

Article 2

Character of the WMO

The Swiss Federal Council recognizes the international character and judicial capacity in Switzerland of the World Meteorological Organization.

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AGENDA ITEM 4

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Committee held a meeting on Wednesday the 21st of March 1951 from 10.20. All the members were present.

The session was opened by Sir Nelson Johnson and under his presidency Dr. Hesselberg was elected Chairman of the Committee. Sir Nelson left the Session and Dr. Hesselberg then took the chair.

I. The Committee recommended unanimously the election of President and Vice-President for the duration of this Congress.

President : Sir Nelson Johnson
1st. Vice President : Dr. Reichelderfer
2nd. Vice President : Mr. Viaut

II. The Committee made unanimously the following recommendation regarding the members of the Committees 1 to 4

Committee 1

Australia
Bermuda
Bielo Russian S.S.R.
British East African Territories and Indian Ocean Islands
Canada
Egypt
Finland
France
Greece
Hungary
India
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Norway
Pakistan
Paraguay
Portugal
Sweden
United Kingdom
U.S.A.
U.S.S.R.
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AGENDA ITEM 26.

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DRAFT PLAN OF EXECUTION of the agreement drawn up between THE SWISS FEDERAL COUNCIL and THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION to regulate the judicial status of this organization in Switzerland.

(Submitted by the Swiss Delegation).

Art. 1.

Customs franchise

The World Meteorological Organization has the benefit of complete exemption from customs duties, statistical taxes, etc., on all goods for the official use of the World Meteorological Organization or originating therefrom, on the understanding that objects imported free of tax may not be sold in Switzerland except on conditions to be determined by agreement between the World Meteorological Organization and the Swiss Federal Council.

Art. 2.

Importation and exportation of goods

The Swiss Federal Council recognizes insofar as it is concerned, that the prohibitions and restrictions on the importation and exportation of goods are not applicable to objects intended for the official use of the World Meteorological Organization and necessary to ensure the efficient functioning of it, subject to the provisions laid down in general international conventions and to meteorological measures, on the understanding that it is the responsibility of the World Meteorological Organization to secure any authorisation which may be necessary from any other interested State.

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AGENDA ITEM 11

FRENCH PROPOSAL REGARDING AN INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR METEOROLOGICAL STUDIES AND RESEARCH

1. The French Government trusts that the responsibility for a United Nations International Research Laboratory, advocated by UNESCO at its meeting of 1st December 1950, will be assumed by the World Meteorological Organization.

2. To facilitate the carrying into effect of this project, by arrangement with the Météorologie Française :

- rooms on the premises of the new French Centre for Meteorological Research could be set aside, free of charge, to enable the International Centre to get under way;

- laboratories fitted with the usual physical laboratory equipment supplemented by special equipment for studies of the atmosphere could be placed at the disposal of the International Centre's research workers.

3. A plot of ground in the vicinity of the French centre might subsequently be utilised by the World Meteorological Organization for the erection of a building reserved for the exclusive use of the International Centre.

4. Further particulars will be found in the Annex attached.

5. The Committee entrusted with this question will receive plans of the premises and rooms intended for the preliminary work of the International Centre.

NOTE - The plot of land referred to above was selected at a considerable distance from electrical disturbances, in the open country near TRAPPES, is burdened with easements which will preclude the possibility of such drawbacks in the future

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QUESTION 19

CONTRIBUTIONS PROPORTIONNELLES AU FONDS GENERAL DE L'OMM

(Proposition de la délégation de l'Inde)

1. Les grands principes qu'on peut prendre comme base pour établir le barème de contributions des Membres ont été énoncés au document Cg.1/Doc.13. La présente proposition a pour but d'indiquer les raisons pour lesquelles la Délégation indienne estime que la contribution fixée pour l'Inde est trop élevée, si on l'évalue conformément aux principes énoncés au Cg 1/Doc.13.

2. Le paragraphe 5 du Cg 1/Doc.13 porte sur un élément particulier, celui des contributions relatives que les Membres ont versées à l'OMI. Il y est déclaré que ces contributions ont été acceptées dans le passé par une majorité des Membres, et qu'un changement substantiel devrait normalement être justifié par des changements de circonstances.

3. a) Lorsque l'OMI a été créée, et la contribution de l'Inde fixée comme pour un "grand pays", même à cette époque (c'est à dire en 1928) des arguments très forts ont été présentés en faveur de la thèse que la contribution de l'Inde devrait être celle d'un "pays de moyenne importance" (en raison de ses faibles ressources financières). Toutefois, à l'époque, le budget total de l'OMI était peu élevé, de sorte que la contribution réelle de chaque pays restait modérée; le Gouvernement de l'Inde a donc accepté de verser la contribution telle qu'elle était fixée par le barème.

b) Or, Lorsque ce barème a été établi par l'OMI, l'Inde comprenait non seulement ce qui constitue maintenant l'Union indienne, mais également la Birmanie et le Pakistan. En 1938, la Birmanie a constitué un gouvernement distinct possédant son propre service météorologique, service qui a adhéré séparément à l'OMI et a payé sa propre contribution. En août 1947, les territoires (qui jusqu'alors représentaient l'"Empire des Indes") et relevaient de la juridiction du Gouvernement de l'Inde, et de son Organisation Météorologique, ont subi de nouvelles réductions. Le Dominion du Pakistan a donné une adhésion séparée à l'OMI et a versé une contribution distincte.

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MINUTES OF THE THIRD PLENARY MEETING

(March 20th, 1951 - at 14.30)

PRESIDENT: Sir Nelson K. Johnson

MEMBERS PRESENT:

ARGENTINE

C.N. Monasterio	Principal delegate

AUSTRALIA

E.W. Timcke	Principal delegate
J.M. McMillan	Delegate

BELGIUM

E. Lahaye	Principal delegate
O. Godart	Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

N. Vander Elst	Principal delegate

BERMUDA

W.A. Macky	Principal delegate

BRAZIL

F.X.R. Souza	Principal delegate
J.C.J. Schmidt	Alternate
M. Orsini de Castro	Delegate
L. Ratisbona	Delegate

BRITISH EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES AND INDIAN OCEAN ISLANDS

D.A. Davies	Principal delegate
E.G. Davy	Delegate

BRITISH WEST AFRICA

J.R. Clackson	Principal delegate

BURMA

W. Po E	Principal delegate

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MINUTES OF THE FOURTH PLENARY MEETING
21st of March 1951

The Meeting began at 1020

1) Agreement with the United Nations. (Item 8 of the Agenda)

MEMBERS

ARGENTINA		
	C.N. Monasterio	Principal Delegate
AUSTRALIA		
	E.W. Timcke	Principal Delegate
	J.M. McMillan	Delegate
BELGIAN CONGO		
	N. Van der Elst	Principal Delegate
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BERMUDA		
	W.A. Macky	Principal Delegate
BIELORUSSIAN S.S.R.		
	A. Boulavko	Principal Delegate
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INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

(Submitted by the South African Delegation)

1. NEED FOR A RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Many problems in meteorology can be effectively studied only on a world-wide basis, and hence the need for an International Meteorological Research Institute seems to be fairly obvious. Indeed, this need has been more or less generally recognized by meteorologists, although there may be marked differences of opinion concerning the functions it is to fulfil and the tasks it should be required to undertake, more especially during the first years of its existence.

However, if we consent to be guided by the principle that its primary aim should be to serve the interests of world meteorology in the most effective way, the problem of assigning specified tasks to it, becomes very much simplified.

In the first place, therefore, it should occupy a very special and unique position amongst the many existing meteorological research organizations. In other words, it should certainly not be just another research institute such as already exist in a number of countries. Undoubtedly there is a very urgent need for more national meteorological research institutes, especially in certain underdeveloped countries of the world, but this need should in due course be met locally and not by the proposed international institute.

2. ITS MAIN FUNCTIONS

If then, the proposed institute is to serve the interests of world meteorology to the best advantage, it should, rather than usurp the functions of existing agencies, devote its energies towards encouraging and facilitating research being carried out elsewhere. In this way it is bound to achieve much more than by devoting all its attention to a few restricted problems.

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AGENDA ITEM 25

LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT

(Submitted by the Canadian Delegation)

It is the view of the Canadian Delegation that a number of factors must be determined before the WMO can take a decision concerning a permanent locature for the Secretariat. Such factors would relate to total expenses involved, nature of facilities available etc. at any proposed site. Most delegations would prefer, we believe, to submit such data to their governments for consideration before participating in any decision by the organization in this respect. Certainly, the Canadian Delegation would require additional authority before committing its government to any additional financial burdens.

In these circumstances it appears preferable that this Congress should limit itself to a preliminary and factual consideration of this question with a view to the preparation of a complete report for submission to governments. This report would outline requirements of the new secretarial as well as a description of facilities and amenities available at various alternative site.

Pending a final decision by the Organization the Canadian Delegation feel that the Secretariat could continue at its present location in Lausanne. In the past administrative services have functioned well in that city and the present facilities could undoubtedly be expanded to take care of the increased functions of the WMO Secretarial. Any expenditures so involved should be slight and should not create any additional heavy financial burdens for the organization , which inturn would have to be born by governments, most of whom are at present being called on to assume new and important international financial Committments.

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(23. III.1951)

AGENDA ITEM 19

PROPORTIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE WMO GENERAL FUND

(Submitted by the Delegation of Israel)

The Delegation of Israel would like to inform Congress that the percentages of contributions of Israel to UNO and its specialized agencies are as follows :

UNO	-	0.12 %
ILO	-	0.12 %
FAO	-	0.12 %
UNESCO	-	0.14 %
WHO	-	0.11 %
ICAO	-	0.46 %

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ITEM 25

HEADQUARTERS OF THE SECRETARIAT

Proposal by the Swiss Delegation for the establishment of the Headquarters of the WMO in Switzerland.

1) BACKGROUND

The choice of the final site of the Headquarters of the Secretariat of the IMO was the subject of many conversations from 1929 to 1935 in the various meetings of the Conferences of Directors and of the International Meteorological Committee.

The Conference of Directors of the IMO held at Warsaw in 1935 decided that the permanent Headquarters should be located in Switzerland. This decision was incorporated into the Statutes of the IMO adopted at Warsaw in 1935. The principal reasons which prevailed in favour of Switzerland were, in particular, her neutrality, and her political independence as well as her central geographical position and the tradition which has also located several international organizations in Switzerland.

The provisional Headquarters of the Secretariat of the IMO in the Netherlands was transferred to Switzerland in 1940. The city of Lausanne was chosen for this Headquarters on account of the numerous advantages offered by it, whether from the point of view of its rapid and easy access by air, rail or road, or for its peacefulness, climate, intellectual resources, etc. In indicating Lausanne, attention is paid to the wish to keep all political or local influence away from the Headquarters, in order to retain the maximum of independence for the WMO. In fact, Lausanne is situated neither in the political capital of the country, Bern, nor near the National Meteorological Office at Zurich, and is only three-quarters of an hour's distance from the European Centre of the United Nations at Geneva.

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AGENDA ITEM 25

LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT
PROPOSAL BY THE SWISS DELEGATION FOR
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A WMO BUILDING
AT LAUSANNE (Switzerland)

1) Offer by the Government of the Canton of Vaud and the City of Lausanne.

Switzerland, a Federal State, is composed of 22 Republics or Cantons. The Government of the Canton of Vaud has authorized the Swiss Delegation to the First Congress of the WMO to announce on its behalf that it would warmly welcome the establishment on its territory of the Permanent Secretariat of the WMO, on the understanding that this Headquarters would be located in the City of Lausanne, its capital. In complete agreement with the wishes of the Canton of Vaud, the Municipal Council of the City of Lausanne has requested the Swiss Delegation to submit the claims of Lausanne to consideration on the terms stated hereafter. The advantages attaching to Lausanne are numerous and are known to many of the IMO experts now in Paris.

They may be summarised as follows:

Lausanne is a quiet university city of 100.000 inhabitants, with every kind of cultural facility. At an important railway junction on the direct Paris-Rome line, it is only an hour's run by motor car from the Intercontinental Airport of Cointrin-Geneva. Numerous hotels of all categories offer adequate accomodation for large numbers of delegations. There is ample accomodation at reasonable prices for the families of Secretariat officials. Living costs are steady and low compared with other countries. Being an important sports and tourist centre, life in Lausanne is healthy. The climate is agreeable and the population kindly and hospitable. The engagement of linguists locally is a very easy matter.

Lausanne, on the shores on the Lake of Geneva, in a wonderful natural setting, is 35 minutes by train from Geneva, the seat of the ITU, the WHO, the ITO etc. It should be noted that this short trip can be made at almost any hour of the day; it certainely does not last so long as the average time required to go from one

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AGENDA ITEM : 23

ORIGINAL : FRENCH

ELECTIONS OF PRESIDENTS AND VICE-PRESIDENTS OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

(Proposal submitted by the Italian Delegation)

It is proposed that the Congress elect the Presidents of Technical Commissions and that their term of office expire at the close of the first Session of these Commissions.

In accepting the presidency, the persons appointed by the Congress agree to organize and preside over the first Meeting of the Commission.

At the end of this session, elections of new Presidents would take place.

We consider it very important that this election, which should be by secret ballot, take place at the end and not at the commencement of the Session, in order to enable Members of the Commissions to become acquainted and hence have an opportunity of making a better choice.

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AGENDA ITEM 21
ORIGINAL : FRENCH

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

Meetings of Commissions and other WMO bodies

(Proposal submitted by the Italian Delegation)

The tendency during the last few years has been to group the meetings of IMO bodies, which therefore remain in session two months or more.

Experience shows that this system, undoubtedly devised for the benefit of small Services with the intention of reducing travelling expenses, on the contrary actually creates great difficulties for these Services for, as a rule, they have only one member of their staff, generally the Director or Principal Expert, who is qualified to participate in an international meeting. He is frequently not in a position to remain absent from his Service for such long periods.

There are, however, further drawbacks to such long sessions:

(1) One of the effects of protracted meetings is to fatigue those attending them, with the result that they necessarily work far more slowly than is usually the case for small meetings. This causes considerable loss of time and additional expense.

(2) A Delegate only interested in the first and last Commissions to hold meetings is obliged to remain on the spot, at his own expense, during the whole of the intervening period, unless he is willing to put up with the inconvenience of making several journeys to and from the meeting place over a comparatively short period.

The Italian Delegation therefore proposes that the number of Commissions assembling successively in the same place should be limited to two. Only in exceptional cases, justified by special reasons, should three Commissions assemble in the circumstances outlined above.

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RESOLUTION AG

INVITATION TO PRESIDENTS AND VICE-PRESIDENTS OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION TO ATTEND THE CONGRESS IN THE CAPACITY OF OBSERVERS

THE CONGRESS :

considering the valuable services rendered and the experience gained by the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the former Technical Commissions of the International Meteorological Organization :

decides to invite such of those former Presidents and Vice-Presidents who are at present in Paris or in a position to come to Paris, to participate as observers in the work of the First Congress of the World Meteorological Organization, it being understood that the study of the question of Technical Commissions by the Congress shall not be delayed on this account.

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AGENDA ITEM: 23

ORIGINAL : FRENCH

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Agenda Item 20
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ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

REPORT OF WORKING COMMITTEE III

on Agenda Item 20

Committee III has examined item 20 of the Agenda of Congress and has unanimously agreed to submit the attached draft resolution on the establishment of Regional Associations.

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1 Appendix : Draft resolution

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AGENDA ITEM 21

Original: ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

Report of Working Committee III

on Agenda Item 21

Commission III of WMO First Congress, following the directives given by the Executive Council of IMO in Cg 1/ Doc. 9,

(1) Submits to Congress the Appendix to the present Document as a Draft Resolution on the establishment of Technical Commissions and their fields of responsibility,

(2) Recommends that, in the interest of continuity a Commission for Bibliography and Publications be established,

Recommends also that the need for the continuance of a Commission for Bibliography and Publications be re-examined in the light of the experience, gained during the first budget period,

(3) Recommends that the field of responsibility of the Climatological Commission should cover hydrometeorology,

(4) Recommends that the field of responsibility of the Commission on Synoptic Meteorology should cover telecommunications,

(5) Recommends the assimilation of the work of the three panels of experts mentioned in Doc.9 in the fields of responsibility of the Technical Commissions be fulfilled in the way proposed in the Appendix to the present Document,

(6) Expresses a minority view that Congress should be able to establish panels of experts independent from the Technical Commissions,

(7) Will submit to Congress a recommendation in regard to the continuance of the work carried on by special Sub-Commissions or Panels nominated by IMO, until this work can be undertaken by the Technical Commission of WMO.

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replaces

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(10. IV. 1951)

which was issued in an incomplete form.

(Proposal by the French Delegation)

The French Delegation has already indicated, in Documents 73 and 84, that it would be happy to see the World Meteorological Organization establish its Headquarters at Paris.

It therefore appears desirable briefly to sum up, for the information of the Delegates who will be responsible for choosing between the Swiss and French proposals, the advantages which Paris seems to offer by reason of its geographical position and economic conditions.

1. Position

Paris, which is a very important traffic centre for railway and air communications, has already been chosen by numerous international and intergovernmental organizations of a cultural, scientific or economic character as their headquarters. Among the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations it is only necessary to mention: UNESCO, the regional offices of the United Nations, of the ICAO, and of the ILO, and the European offices of the Bank of International Settlements and the International Monetary Fund.

The WMO which will maintain relations principally with the United Nations, UNESCO, ICAO, and the Food and Agriculture Organization (the headquarters of which will shortly be in Rome) will, therefore, be in a position to keep in close touch with the above bodies, and will also be able, in case of need, to communicate without loss of time with its Members who maintain accredited representatives in Paris.

Moreover, the Delegations of Members coming to Paris for Sessions of the Congress or of the Executive Committee would also enjoy ample facilities, when the necessity occurs, for reporting to or asking instructions from their Governments, through the agency of their respective embassies.

2. Economic conditions

Various documents exist containing precise data in figures with regard to the cost of erecting a building and the cost of staff in Paris and in Switzerland respectively. They may be

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CORRECTIONS PROPOSED TO THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST TO THE TENTH PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE CONGRESS

1) Minutes of the First Meeting (Cg 1/Doc.58)

- page 8, line 21 Add: " ICAO".

- page 8, lines 36 to 43 Substitute :

Mr. Szering Sze, representative of the United Nations, stated that the Secretary-General of the United Nations, who had been in Santiago in Chile attending a session of the Economic and Social Council, had instructed him to bring from there a message to the Congress. Incidentally, it might also be mentioned that the Economic and Social Council had taken the necessary steps to ensure that a representative should come to Paris to negotiate an agreement with the WMO, in conformity with Iten 8 of the Agenda.

Mr. Szering Sze then read the following message from Mr.Trygve Lie :

- page 9, line 35 Read: "Mr. Heiermann", instead of "Mr. Heiermann".

- page 9, line 44 Read "her" instead of "his".

2) Minutes of the Second Meeting (Cg 1/Doc.59)

- Page 1 . . . . . Insert before "BYELORUSSIAN-SSR" the following :

"BRITISH WEST AFRICAN TERRITORIES

J.R. Clackson, Principal Delegate

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(11.IV.1951)
Agenda Item 32
ORIGINAL : FRENCH

TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF THE PROPOSED EDITION OF THE CLOUD ATLAS

(Proposal submitted by the French Delegation)

The available information concerning the work already carried out by the Committee for the Study of Clouds and Hydro-meteors is contained in document N° 2I of the Conference of Directors (8.III.1951) and in the Supplement thereto.((16.III.1951)

These document include the Report of the President of the Committee for the Study of Clouds and Hydro-Meteors to the President of the International Meteorological Committee, together with the three Appendices to that Report :

a) Appendix I - Recommendations to be submitted to other Commissions.-

b) Appendix II- Commercial and Financial Report.-

c) Appendix III-Estimates of the cost of producing the International Cloud Atlas in the various cases provided for.

The text of Appendix III, above referred to, forms an Appendix to this document.

The cost of producing the first three Parts of the Atlas, for the three different sizes under consideration, are given in this Appendix.

These prices have been calculated on the basis of the prices of raw materials on 15 February 1951.

The tables which constitute this Appendix indicate the cost of producing editions of 2.000, 4.000, 6.000 and 10.000 copies respectively, together with the cost price per unit corresponding to the above figures.

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ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

DRAFT RESOLUTION

PUBLICATION OF WORLD METEOROLOGICAL DATA

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress :

CONSIDERING

That the publication, in a standard form, of world-wide climatological data for the surface and upper air would contribute substantially to the achievement of the purposes of the World Meteorological Organization as set forth in Article 2 of its Convention ;

RESOLVES

1. To invite the Executive Committee to refer the question of publication of world climatological statistics of the surface and upper air to the climatological Commission for study and report;

2. To authorize the Executive Committee to make financial provisions within the overall budget of the Organization, for undertaking such work as may be deemed appropriate, after due consideration is given to the report of the Commission.

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress of the World Meteorological Organization

CONSIDERING

the uncoordinated nature of the resolutions taken over from the International Meteorological Organization by Resolution AB and mindful of its responsibility to adopt technical regulations under Article 7 (d) of the Convention

(1) Adopts the principles and the Draft Plan given in Appendix 1 of this resolution.

(2) Invites the Executive Committee to arrange for the preparation of Provisional Technical Regulations based on the current resolutions of the International Meteorological Organization enumerated in Resolution AB.

(3) Authorizes the Executive Committee to make financial provision for the completion of this work as early as possible, preferably in the first year of the budget period.

(4) Delegates authority to the Executive Committee for the temporary approval and issue of Provisional Technical Regulations to Members, pending consideration and adoption of such Regulations by Congress.

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1 Appendix

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

PUBLICATION OF A WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION MONTHLY BULLETIN

The Congress :

CONSIDERING :

1. That the interest of economical administration requires that the number of information letters and information circulars issued by the Secretariat should be kept to a minimum ;

2. That there is need for keeping Members and persons interested in meteorology advised of the activities of the Organization, and for the dissemination of other necessary information ;

3. That a periodical information bulletin is an efficient means of disseminating such essential information ;

RESOLVES :

1. That a World Meteorological Organization Bulletin shall be published periodically by the Secretariat ;

2. That the Bulletin shall include :

a) Announcements and brief reports of meetings ;

b) Information on activities, plans, recommendations and decisions of the President, the Executive Committee, Technical Commissions, Regional Associations and the Secretariat ;

c) Information regarding relations with other international organizations ;

d) Announcements of the issue of publications, and amendments thereto, by the World Meteorological Organization ;

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

FUNCTIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT -- OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

The Working Group:

CONSIDERING

1. That the "Office of the President" suggested in Cg 1/Doc. 7 as a part of the Secretariat is likely to be more useful to the President if it is staffed by his own personnel, with whom he is well acquainted and with whom there will be no possibility of language difficulties, rather than by personnel assigned from the Secretariat;

2. That there are serious administrative difficulties in staffing and maintaining a unit of the Secretariat at a location which may be far distant from headquarters and which will be moved every few years as the Presidency changes hands;

RECOMMENDS

1. That the Secretariat should not include an "Office of the President ";

2. That provision for WMO assistance to the President be made by inserting a paragraph in the General Regulations stating that, on request from the President, the Organization may make a grant-in-aid to him (or an agency designated by him) of a sum to be determined by the Executive Committee as an appropriate contribution toward the cost of additional staff which he may require for the discharge of his duties as President;

3. That the foregoing views be communicated to the Committees of the Congress dealing with administration and finance and regulations (Committees 1 and 4) for their information;

4. That the recommendation in Paragraph 1 (above) be included in a general recommendation to the Executive Committee regarding function and structure of the Secretariat.

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Cg 1/ Doc. 183
(12.IV.1951)

AGENDA ITEM 16

Original: ENGLISH

TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL

(Report submitted to Congress by Committee IV)

1. Committee IV has considered the form of contract between the Organization and the Secretary General and recommends that the contract should be in the form given in Appendix I.

2. In its consideration of this matter the Committee has consulted Committee II regarding the legal aspects.

3. Committee IV has incorporated with only drafting changes and without consideration of substance, the recommendations of Committee I regarding the emoluments etc. of the Secretary General contained in Appendix II.

2 Appendices.

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Cg 1/Doc.184
(13.IV.1951)

AGENDA ITEM 21

ORIGINAL:ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

Report of Working Committee III on Agenda Item 21.

DRAFT RESOLUTION COMPLEMENTARY TO DRAFT RESOLUTION CG 1/DOC.175,

APPENDIX

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress :

CONSIDERING:

That, in view of the Resolution B (Doc.158) prepared by Committee II, in which an agreement between WMO and ICAO is envisaged, Committee III did not attempt to set up terms of reference for the Commission for Aeronautical Meteorology in detail.

RESOLVES

That the general terms of reference for the Commission for Aeronautical Meteorology stated in Doc.175, Appendix, be amended and specified in greater detail by the Executive Committee if it appears necessary, after negotiations have been completed between WMO and ICAO.

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AGENDA ITEM 10

ORIGINAL:ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE

Report of Committee III

On Agenda Item 10 a

DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress:

CONSIDERING

That UNESCO has under consideration the question of establishing international research laboratories and institutes, including an International Meteorological Institute, and that this Organization is expected to consult the World Meteorological Organization and other organizations in the near future with respect to the establishment of such an institute

RESOLVES

That the World Meteorological Organization shall participate in the measures being taken by UNESCO upon the request of the U.N. Economic and Social Council to explore the desirability of establishing an International Meteorological Institute.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL INSTITUTE

Report of Committee III on Agenda Item 10a)

DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress :

CONSIDERING

1. That one of the purposes of the World Meteorological Organization as stated in Article 2 (e) of its Convention is to encourage research and training in meteorology and to assist in coordinating the international aspects of such research and training;

2. That further study of the matter by the World Meteorological Organization is necessary in order to determine the desirability, practicability and advisability of establishing an international meteorological institute and, if so, the proper nature and scope of its work;

RESOLVES

That the Executive Committee of the World Meteorological Organization shall undertake the study of the question concerning the establishment of an international meteorological institute, keeping members of the World Meteorological Organization informed about the progress of the study and seeking their comments and suggestions; and shall present its recommendations on the subject at the next Congress.

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AGENDA ITEM 10

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

ARID ZONE PROGRAM

Report of Committee III

on Agenda Item 10 b

DRAFT RESOLUTION

(Submitted by Committee III)

The Congress:

CONSIDERING

1. Resolution 402 (V) adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations; Resolution 324 (XI) adopted by the Economic and Social Council, and the Resolution adopted by it at its twelfth session on 9 March 1951 pertaining to water control and utilization as it is related to the problems of arid zones; and the arid zone program of UNESCO and the setting up by UNESCO of an Advisory Committee on Arid Zones Research.

RESOLVES

1. That the Executive Committee of the World Meteorological Organization shall keep itself informed on the arid zone program and arrange to provide advice on meteorological problems connected with the program as required by the Secretary General of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies concerned.

2. The steps taken by the Executive Committee in this matter shall be reported to Members preferably through the medium of the organization.

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AGENDA ITEM 20

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH and FRENCH

Corrigenda to Doc. 174.

ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Report of Committee III on item 20

Region II - Asia : Doc. 174, English version, Appendix page 2

line 23 : replace the words: "Israel, Lebanon " by "Jordan"

line 30 : add the words : " to the island of Kolguev, thence to the point 80° N 40° E and thence northward.

Region VI - Europe : Doc. 174, English version, Appendix page 4

line 11 : replace the words : "Israel, Lebanon" by "Jordan"

line 17 : add the words : "to the island of Kolguev, thence to the point 80° N 40° E, and thence northward".

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AGENDA ITEM 14

Original: ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS OF WMO

REPORT OF COMMITTEE I

(Rapporteur: E. Björkdal, Sweden)

A Sub-Committee with Dr. Patterson (Canada) as Chairman was given the task of working out Draft Regulations on the basis of the proposal of the Executive Council of the IMO in Cg/ Doc.3 and the Standard Regulations of the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies as set out in Cg 1/Inf. 6. The following documents were also taken into account: 34, 104, 109. The Sub-Committee endeavoured to follow the United Nations regulations as closely as possible, with such modifications and adaptations only as proved necessary on account of the special structure of the WMO.

The draft of the Sub-Committee was amended by Committee I in meetings on 12th and 13th April, 1951. Committee I decided to recommend that Congress adopts a resolution about the Establishment of Financial Regulations of WMO as shown in the Appendix to this report.

In submitting its report, Committee I wishes to draw the attention of Congress to the following paragraphes of the proposed regulations.

7.5 In this paragraph provisions are proposed as to the disposal of annual surpluses, a distinction being drawn between interim financial years and the last financial year of a financial period.

8.5 and 8.6. The main provision is that annual contributions should be paid in the currency of the State in which the Organization has its headquarters.

Subject to the restrictions mentioned in paragraph 8.6, however, Members should be entitled to pay part of their contributions in another currency.

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AGENDA ITEM 18

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

(Presented by Committee I)

WHEREAS :

The Financial Regulations of the Organization provide for the establishment of a Working Capital Fund financed by advances from Members in proportion to the scale of assessments determined for the apportionment of the expenses of the Organisation;

CONGRESS HEREBY RESOLVES :

(a) that a Working Capital Fund shall be established for the following purposes:

(i) to finance budgetary appropriations pending receipt of contributions

(ii) to provide such sums as may be necessary to cover unforeseen and extraordinary expenses which cannot be met from current budgetary provisions.

(b) that the amount which Members shall be required to advance to the Working Capital Fund during the first financial period shall be not greater than 10% of the approved maximum expenditure for the same financial period.

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AGENDA ITEM 30

Original:FRENCH

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE WMO AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH RADIOMETEOROLOGY

(Submitted by Mr. Jean LUGEON, Member of the Executive Committee of the IRSU and of the Radiometeorological Commission of International Scientific Unions.)

The International Radio Scientific Union (I.R.S.U.) at its General Assembly held at Stockholm in 1948, set out in the form of a resolution its recommendation for the establishment of a closer relationship between the IRSU and the IMO. At its Zurich meeting in 1950, the Executive Committee of the IRSU announced that it would be prepared to appoint an observer to the IMO to strengthen the ties should the IMO make a request to this effect.

Consideration of this matter could be taken over by the WMO

Therefore, the undersigned suggests that the matter of appointing a Representative of the WMO as Observer to the IRSU be examined, seeing that his duties would include, among others, the consideration of the manner in which the two organizations could collaborate more closely in the field of Radiometeorology on a world-wide scale.

The undersigned recalls that the International Council of Scientific Unions set up a Joint Commission of Radiometeorology with IRSU as the Parent Union. The terms of reference of this Commission are, in many respects, similar to those of the former CREM, and should be embodied in those of the Aerological Commission.

Therefore, in this connection it would also be desirable for the coordination of radiometeorological work on a world-wide scale, that the WMO contact the Joint Commission of Radiometeorology and draw attention to the possibility of collaboration.

Jean LUGEON

Member of the Executive Committee of the IRSU and of the Radiometeorological Commission of International Scientific Unions.

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AGENDA ITEM 25
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

LOCATION OF SECRETARIAT

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE PANEL FOR CONSIDERING THE LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT

1. Terms of reference of the Panel : to find and correlate facts concerning proposals for location of the Secretariat.

2. Adhering to these terms of reference, this report chiefly contains facts extracted from the available documents. To the information thus given the Panel has added a certain number of new facts brought forward at discussion with authorities and persons concerned.

3. Documents considered :

No. 12 - Maximum expenditures during First Budget Period - General Estimates;

No. 44 - Draft Agreement between the Government of the French Republic and the World Meteorological Organization on Privileges and Immunities - Submitted by the French Delegation;

No. 60 - Draft Agreement between the Swiss Federal Council and the World Meteorological Organization to govern the legal status of this Organization in Switzerland - Submitted by the Swiss Delegation;

No. 69 - Location of the Secretariat - Submitted by the Canadian Delegation;

No. 71 - Headquarters of the Secretariat - Proposal by the Swiss Delegation for the establishment of the Headquarters of the WMO in Switzerland;

No. 72 - Location of the Secretariat - Proposal by the Swiss Delegation for the Construction of a WMO building at Lausanne (Switzerland);

No. 73 - Headquarters of the Secretariat - Proposal made by the French Delegation;

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AGENDA ITEM 21

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

Report of Working Committee III.

(Recommendation with regard to the continuance of work by IMO Sub-Commissions, submitted by Committee III)

Reference : Doc. 175, para (7) :

With regard to the continuance of the work carried on by special sub-commissions or panels nominated by IMO, Committee III submits to Congress the Draft Resolution attached as Appendix 1.

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ORIGINAL: FRENCH

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LOCATION OF THE SECRETARIAT

Memorandum from the French Delegation

In order to make it easier to read Document 192, in which an attempt has been made to outline on the most comparable basis, the various offers submitted to the Organization, the French Delegation ventures to define more closely some of the particulars relating to the financial conditions underlying the French Government's proposal.

1. Differential rate - The Panel has already stressed the difficulties in comparing the cost of living and the average salary scales in various countries.

It was, therefore, rightly decided to take into account the differential rate, already applied by the United Nations.

This differential rate operates at present as follows :

Taking a salary of 10,000 dollars in New York, the United Nations Organization actually pays an officer classified in this salary scale :

in New York :	10,000 $ equals	43,000 Sw.Frs.	
in Geneva :	9,500 $ "	40,850 " "	
in Paris :	8,500 $ "	36,550 " "	

The salaries of officers of a lower grade are, at present, subject in Paris to a reduction of 20%; but, as it is proposed to reduce this to 15%, there is no need to take the present figure into account.

For an aggregate expenditure on salaries, amounting to 850,000 Sw.Francs, (or 200,000 dollars), for instance, the actual expenditure for an Organization with its headquarters at New York would be :

	$ 200,000	equals Sw.Frs.	860,000
in Geneva:	$ 190,000	" " "	817,000
in Paris :	$ 170,000	" " "	731,000

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AGENDA ITEM 16

Original: ENGLISH

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TERMS OF APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL

THE CONGRESS:

noting that Article 21, paragraph (a) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization authorizes Congress to appoint a Secretary General on such terms as Congress may approve:

decides that the terms of appointment of the Secretary General shall be as contained in the Draft Contract attached hereto as an Appendix.

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AGENDA ITEM 27
Original: ENGLISH

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL of the WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

The terms of appointment of the Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization as provisionally approved by Congress are given in the Appendix to Cg 1/Doc.195. A copy of that Appendix accompanies this notice.

Applications giving full particulars of the applicant's qualification and experience should be addressed to the President of the WMO, Room 135, Hotel du Palais d'Orsay, Paris, and must reach him before 24.00 hours on Wednesday, 25th of April, 1951.

The appointment will be made by Congress on Saturday, 28th of April, 1951.

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1 Appendix

Cg 1 / Doc. 198
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AGENDA ITEM 25
ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

LOCATION OF SECRETARIAT

STATEMENT BY UNITED NATIONS DELEGATION REGARDING DOCUMENT 176

1. Doc. 176 has appended to it two so-called "documents" N.S.3 and N.S.5 entitled respectively "Cost of a WMO Congress estimated on the basis of UN scales" and "UN Repayment Rates for Accommodation and Services rendered to Specialized Agencies".

2. These are not UN documents. Nor do they appear to be WMO Congress documents. Whatever their origin or source, the data contained in them are in general incorrect and in some instances grossly erroneous.

3. Regarding "auxiliary staff requirements", the schedule of rates should be that adopted by the Geneva Inter-Agency Committee on Recruitment as from 1 January 1951 (see Appendix). These rates are one-third or one-half those given in Document 176, so that the correct figures should be as follows:

	per person:day:	for 22 days:	$
12 Interpreters .....at	22.19*	"	5,858.16
15 Translators ....."	15.88	"	5,240.40
6 Verbatim Reporters."	15.18	"	2,003.76
25 Typists ....."	5.01	"	2,755.50
12 Mimeograph Operators	5.01	"	1,322.64
12 Hand Collectors...."	4.67	"	1,232.88
3 Messengers ....."	4.20	"	277.20
			18,690.54

* At rate of $ 1 = 4.28 Swiss francs
The total figure of $ 33,880 therefore should be replaced by $ 18,690.54.

4. Regarding "equipment and supply requirements", the rate for mimeographing is $3.00 per 1,000 impressions (including cost of paper), not $3.60 as stated in Doc.176, App.3; likewise, printing service is $3.00 per section hour, not $3.50 as stated in Doc.176 App.3.

5. Regarding "meeting room requirements", estimates have been made on the basis of such rooms as would normally be required for a large meeting like the UN General Assembly. The WMO Congress would not have to use the

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ORIGINAL : FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH PLENARY MEETING
10th April, 1951 - 10 a.m.

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT :

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Ångström, Aslam, Barnett, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cheng, Clackson, Cernea, Davies, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keränen, Lambor, Lea, Libri, Lugeon (FAO) Macky, Peña Aguirre, Perovic, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Van Mieghem, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Ballo, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigue (UN), Bilham, Bjørkdal, Bleeker, Boissel (IATA), Bracelin, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Frankcom (President CIMM), Gregor, Heierman (OACI), Hessel, Hsueh, Kaddar, Lefevre (IATA) Lojendio, Mangiu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mikhail, Milatz, Nichol, Papillon (Vice-President CIMO), Patterson, Petterssen (President CAé) Price, Rachmanov, Ratisbona, Roda (IATA), Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Mlle Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Syssoev, Sze (UN), Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Vojnovic.

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), A. Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat), R. Mathieu (Secretary)

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(18.IV.1951)

ORIGINAL: FRENCH

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH PLENARY MEETING
10th April, 1951 - 14.45

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT:

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Messrs. Ångström, Islam, Barnett, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Chong, Clackson, Cornea, Davies, Doporto, Ferreira, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Keranen, Lambor, Lea, Libri, Lugeon (F.A.O.), Macky, Peña Aguirre, Perović, Pogosjan, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Farina Sánchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sohoni, Soliman, Souza, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Van Mieghem, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Messrs. Albert, Ali, Contreras-Arias, Ballò, Barasoain, Basu, de Bellaigue (UNO), Bilham, Björkdal, Bleeker, Boissel (IATA), Bracelin, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Cauvin, Craig, Csaplak, Davy, Frankcom, (President CHM), Gregori, Heiserman (ICAO), Hessel, Hsueh, Kaddár, Lefevre (IATA), Lojendio, Manglu, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mikhail, Milata, Nichol, Papillon (Vice-President CIMO), Patterson, Pettersson (President CAe), Price, Rachmanov, Ratisbona, Roda (IATA), Rosenan, le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Sruta, Mlle Stan, Stoica, Stoner, Syssoev, Sze (UNO), Thalmann, Thrane, Tierney, Vojnovic.

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), A. Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat), F. Mathibu (Secretary).

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4. Establishment of Committees of Congress	
a) Credentials Committee b) Nomination Committee c) Drafting Committee d) Other Committees of Congress as necessary	Doc. 42, 45, 61, 78, 80
5. Approval of Agenda	Doc. 1, Doc.1/Rev.1, 119, 123
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a) President b) First Vice-President c) Second Vice President	Doc. 23,
7. Transfer to WMO of functions, resources and obligations of IMO	Doc. 14, 15, 24, 31, 57, 82, 94, 126, 127, 128, 129, 156; Inf.1, 1/Rev. 1, 2, 3
8. Agreement with United Nations	Doc. 10, 26, 55, 83, 107, 131, 164

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Doc. 1/Rev.1	Provisional Agenda for First Congress of WMO
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Doc. 3	Financial Regulations of WMO
Doc. 4	Staff Regulations of WMO
Doc. 5	Establishment of Working Capital Fund
Doc. 6	Programme for First Budget Period
Doc. 7	Establishment of the Secretariat
Doc. 8	Establishment of Regional Associations
Doc. 9	Establishment of Technical Commissions
Doc. 10	Agreement with the United Nations
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Doc. 13	Proportional contribution to the WMO General Fund
Doc. 14	Transfer to WMO of Functions, Resources and Obligations of IMO Basic Resolutions on Transfer
Doc. 15	Transfer to WMO of Functions, Resources and Obligations of IMO Technical Resolutions and Publications of IMO for adoption by WMO
Doc. 16	Maximum expenditures during First Budget Period Travelling allowances for WMO Officers
Doc. 17	Terms of appointment of Secretary General
Doc. 18	Draft Rules of Procedure for First Congress of WMO
Doc. 19	Membership of WMO Applications for membership by the Government of the People's Republic of Bulgaria and by the Government of Ceylon

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AGENDA ITEM 23
ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

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PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING PRESIDENTS OF THE TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS OF THE WMO

(Memorandum submitted by the President)

1) Now that Congress has decided upon the number, titles and terms of reference of the new WMO Technical Commissions, it becomes necessary to agree upon the procedure to be followed for electing a President for each Commission. The actual elections, however, should not take place for some days to enable delegates to give the necessary consideration to this important matter. On the other hand, it is believed that there is almost universal agreement that there should be no hiatus between the activities of the former IMO Technical Commissions and those of the corresponding WMO Commissions.

It is believed that this can be achieved by the election of Presidents, and that it is no essential to elect also a Vice-President for each Commission. If this can be agreed, it will save valuable time in Congress.

2) It is laid down in Art. 19 (c) of the WMO Convention that each Technical Commission shall elect its President. In view of the time spent by delegations at this first Congress, it is likely to be a considerable time before meetings of Commissions can be arranged after Congress has dispersed. Foreseeing this position, the Executive Council of the IMO explored the possibility of finding a procedure which would enable the Presidents of WMO Technical Commissions to be elected before the first Congress ends.

3) The proposed procedure was communicated to all Members of the WMO in a circular letter dated 10 January, 1951, issued by the President of the International Meteorological Committee. According to this procedure, one of the technical experts in each delegation would act as the Member's temporary representative on any Technical Commissions that Congress may establish solely for the purpose of electing a President of each Commission.

3) It seems unlikely that every Member of the Organization will wish to be represented on every Technical Commission, and it will consequently be necessary in the first instance for Delegations to state on which Commission their Countries wish to be represented. It is assumed that each Principal Delegate will also be prepared to designate a technical expert from his delegation as his country's temporary representative on those Commissions in which it is interested.

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AGENDA ITEM 9
ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE II

Rapporteur : M. SCHMIDT (Brazil)

Having begun examination of this Convention at its fourth meeting, Committee II found that the adoption of the proposed draft annex to that Convention depended to a large extent upon the scope to be given by the Organization to the recruitment of experts.

By "experts" must be understood such persons, taking part in the work of the Organization, which are neither government representatives, nor officials of the Secretariat.

The Chairman of Committee II ascertained that the present intent of the Organization was not to entrust frequently important tasks to such "outsiders", bound to it only by a temporary contract limited to a specific piece of work such as the drafting of a report.

It would therefore seem unnecessary to extend privileges and immunities to that category of persons and, in view of the uncertainty that might prevail as to the extent given to such a clause by the Organization in the future, its inclusion in the Convention might prevent the ratification of certain governments.

The Committee was also informed by the United Kingdom delegation of a reservation their country felt necessary to introduce before ratifying the Convention, and the Committee gave assurance to that delegation that such a procedure would be in order for them at the appropriate time.

Taking into account the preference expressed by the United Nations, and the importance of obtaining early ratification of the Convention by as many members as possible, the Committee recommends the following draft resolution for adoption to Congress:

The CONGRESS of WMO

APPROVES the text of the draft annex below to be added to the UN Convention on Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies :

"The standard-clauses shall apply without modifications";

INSTRUCTS the Secretary-General to take all necessary steps, in liaison with the Secretary-General of the United Nations and in conformity with Sections 35 and 37 of the afore-mentioned Convention, to make the Convention applicable to the World Meteorological Organization.

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MINUTES OF THE EIGHTEENTH PLENARY MEETING
16th April, 1951 - 10 a.m. hours

LIST OF PERSONS PRESENT:

A - Principal Delegates or Alternates to Principal Delegates

Messrs. Aslam, Balkom, Barnett, Berlage, Bogatyr, Boulavko, Bruzon, Bunnag, Cernea, Cheng, Clackson, Davies, Desi, Doporto, Fahmy, Ferreira, Gilead, Mme Gudmundsson, Messrs. Hesselberg (Vice-President Hon.), Jcachamowitz, Sir Nelson Johnson (President), Krastanov, Lambor, Libri, Lugeon (FAO), Macky, Monasterio, Peña Aguirre, Percvic, Po E, Reichelderfer (Vice-President), Rivet, Roux, Fanina Sanchez, Schumann, Sellick, Soares, Sousa, Souza, Sruta, Thomson, Timcke, Vander Elst, Vejar G, Viaut (Vice-President), Vourlakis.

B - Delegates, Advisers, Observers

Messrs. Albert, Alli, Contreras-Arias, Barascain, Basu, Bilham, Björkdal, Bisseker, Boisel (IATA), Bracelin, Cadez, Orsini de Castro, Cates, Coruk, Craig, Csaplak, Godart, Gregor, Hagen, Heierman (ICAO), Hsueh, Kaddar, Lescene, Little, McKillip, Mangin, Mastrangeli, Matson, Mezin, Michelangeli, Mikhail, Milata, Nagle, Nichol, Papillon, Patterson, Pettersson, Prohmanov, Randet, Ratisbona, Riley, Roda (IATA), Rosenau, Le Roux, Schmidt, Smith, Soliman, Melle Stan, Stojca, Stoner, Syssoev, Sze (ONU), Thrane, Tierney, Wood (IATA)

Secretariat

Messrs. G. Swoboda (Chief of the Secretariat), A. Kyriakidis (Deputy Chief of the Secretariat), R. Mathieu (Secretary).

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE I

ON

ESTABLISHMENT OF STAFF REGULATIONS OF WMO

(Rapporteur : E. BJORKDAL, Sweden)

1. A Sub-Committee with Mr. Timcke (Australia) as Chairman was given the task of working out draft rules. The following documents were considered : Cg 1/Doc.4, 20, 37 and Cg 1/Inf.7.

2. The basic paper, Cg 1/Doc.4, was drawn up by the Executive Council of IMO after consideration of a tentative common pattern of staff regulations for U.N. and the Specialized Agencies which was available in the early part of 1950. Since that time a revised and generally accepted set of staff regulations for U.N. and the Specialized Agencies has appeared, as shown in Cg 1/Inf.7, App.III. This set was followed by the Sub-Committee, amendments being made only where the Convention or other factors peculiar to this Organization rendered it necessary.

3. In its meeting on 17th April, 1951, Committee I made certain amendments in the draft rules of the Sub-Committee and decided to recommend to Congress to establish Staff Regulations as set out in the Appendix.

4. As regards Reg.5.2, it was moved by U.S.A. with the support of Brazil to let the first part read : "in order that internationally recruited staff members...".

The motion was lost with 6 votes for and 7 against.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF SECRETARIAT

Report of Committee I

on

Salary Scales for Staff of the Secretariat

(Rapporteur : E. Björkdal, Sweden)

NOTE: The subject matter of this report has later been considered by Committees III and I jointly.

The following documents have been considered:
Cg 1/Doc,7, 139, 155, 182 and Cg 1/Inf. 13

A preliminary study of the question was made by a Sub-Committee with Mr. Timcke (Australia) as chairman. In its meeting on 14th April, 1951, Committee I decided to make the following recommendations.

I. International staff

Without regard to the functions, a complete set of grades should be adopted. When, later, Congress has decided which functions are needed within the Secretariat, they should be referred by Congress to the appropriate grades.

Taking into account the salary proposed by this Committee for the Secretary General and the salary scales of international staff of the United Nations as set out in Cg 1/Inf. 13, Committee I recommends

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AGENDA ITEM 32

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TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF THE PROPOSED EDITION OF THE CLOUD ATLAS

Extract from a letter from Professor C.F. Brooks, Director of Blue Hill Meteorological Observatory of Harvard University, to the Chairman of the Committee for the Study of Clouds and Hydro-Meteors.

" I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt through Mr.Hagon, of a large package of documents relating to the 3rd meeting of the CNH, and reports of the 2nd meeting. I have also received direct from you the first 124 pp. of Fasc. I of the final text.

It was a pleasure to read this text. It is clear, precise, comprehensive, but not over-long. It presents the various cloud forms in a manner that should be readily understood and appreciated by any observer having no more than a moderate knowledge of meteorology. Indeed, the very reading and use of the Atlas would be further education in meteorology for him. Those of CNH who met in Paris in January must have worked very efficiently to have considered the numerous comments, improved on many suggestions and finished the text (and legends ?) of the Atlas.

Your CR, nevertheless, deserves great credit for preparing in such convenient form for consideration the various changes that had been suggested. The very volume of work necessary for this was tremendous. While I am sorry to have added to the burden by making so many comments, the improvements I suggested seemed desirable. I am pleased to note that the CR agreed with so many of them, and the CNH as well. I note that the CR devoted much thought to the suggestions, and in many cases improved on them. The CR have contributed greatly to the quality of the Atlas."

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AGENDA ITEM 12

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Establishment of Secretariat

Joint Report by Committees Nos.I and III.

(Rapporteurs: E. Björkdal, Sweden, and M. Vander Elst Belgian Congo.

1. The two Committees have considered this problem both individually and jointly and have agreed on the following report.

2. The documents concerned are: 7; 139; 155; 182 and Information 13.

3. The Committees are convinced that it would be wrong for Congress to prescribe in great detail the way in which the Secretariat is to be organized. This is a function of management which must be left to the Secretary General. They are reinforced in this opinion by the view taken by the United Nations' Committee of Experts on Salary, Allowance and Leave Systems (A./C. 5/331 dated 31st October, 1949), which was as follows :

> "The Committee calls attention to the importance of ensuring that the Secretary General is afforded the fullest freedom and discretion in the assignment of staff within the limits of the overall manning tables authorized annually by the General Assembly. It would strongly deprecate any limitation on the Secretary General's authority to utilize the total staff placed at his disposal in a manner which he considers best calculated to meet the current needs of the Organization's programme and responsibilities as this may develop from month to month in the course of the budgetary year. Any restriction on freedom to transfer or assign staff according to these needs would, in the Committee's opinion, be inconsistent with the objective of a versatile and efficient Secretariat".

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AGENDA ITEM 25

ORIGINAL: FRENCH

HEADQUARTERS OF THE SECRETARIAT

Statement by the Swiss Delegation
regarding Documents Nos. 176 and 194.

The French Delegation, endeavouring to show the advantages which would be obtained from selecting Paris as the WMO Headquarters, caused Documents Nos. 176 and 194 to be distributed. The indications contained in these documents are unreliable in several instances.

For example, it is impossible to compare the cost of building premises without comparing the general plans, dimensions and quality of the work, especially owing to the fact that the requirements of office space for the Secretariat and rooms for conferences have not yet been settled. Certain indications supplied by the French Delegation (staff salaries, expenditure budget for a Congress, etc.) have already been commented upon in an impartial manner by the WMO Delegation in Documents No. 198. It is only necessary to refer to the latter.

Considering that a Delegation directly concerned should not draw comparisons between the various proposals, the Swiss Delegation refrains from replying in detail to these allegations. It leaves this matter entirely to the report of the Commission entrusted with examining the problem of headquarters and the decision which will be taken by the Congress on the basis of objective information.

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AGENDA ITEM 17
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MAXIMUM EXPENDITURE DURING THE FIRST FINANCIAL PERIOD

Joint Report by Committees Nos. I and III

(Rapporteur : Mr. Vander Elst, Belgian Congo)

1. Article 23 of the Convention provides that Congress shall determine the maximum expenditure which may be incurred by the Organization on the basis of estimates submitted by the Secretary General and recommended by the Executive Committee. At present, there is neither a Secretary General nor an Executive Committee of the World Meteorological Organization. Consequently, the procedure contemplated in the Convention must necessarily be modified. The recommendations given below are based on Document 12, submitted by the Executive Council of the International Meteorological Organization, and the following additional documents have been taken into account: 13; 22; 117; 163; Information 10.

2. After full consideration, the two Committees recommend:

RECOMMENDATION No. 1

That Congress should approve a maximum expenditure of $ 1,353,000 for the first financial period: i.e. the 4 ¾ years beginning on 4th April, 1951, and ending ¾ on 31st December, 1955. A table showing the breakdown of this total into its separate Parts etc. is at Annex I.

3. The Committees wish to stress the fact that the estimates which they have made have been based on data necessarily incomplete. The results are, therefore, subject to a wide margin of error. This does not affect the total figure to any serious extent since it must be recognized that there may be an arbitrary limit which Members would not wish to see exceeded. But the figures given for the separate Parts are less reliable than will normally be the case: it is therefore recommended:

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THIRD LIST OF DELEGATIONS PRESENT

(replaces Cg 1/Doc.92)

ARGENTINA

C.N. Monasterio	Principal delegate

AUSTRALIA

E.W. Timcke	Principal delegate
J. McMillan	Delegate
L. Johnston	Delegate

BELGIAN CONGO

N. Vander Elst	Principal delegate

BELGIUM

E. Lahaye	Principal delegate
C. Godart	Delegate

BERMUDA

W.A. Macky	Principal delegate

BRAZIL

F.X.R. de Souza	Principal delegate
J.C.J. Schmidt	Alternate to principal delegate
M. Orsini de Castro	Delegate
L. Ratisbona	Delegate

BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICAN TERRITORIES (B.C.A.T.)

N.D. Sellick	Principal delegate

BRITISH EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES (B.E.A.T.)

D.A. Davies	Principal delegate
E.C. Davy	Delegate

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AGENDA ITEMS 10 & 11

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DETERMINATION OF GENERAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMME FOR FIRST BUDGET PERIOD

Encouragement of Research and Training

(from the Rhodesian Delegation)

1. Article 2 (e) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization sets out, as one of the objects of the Organization, the encouragement of research and training in meteorology.

2. The IMO has handed over to the WMO, unconditionally, invested capital and liquid assets which, when accounts are finally settled, may represent the substantial sum of about 400.000 fr.s.

3. It is suggested that Congress may forward the objects set out in Article 2 (e) of the Convention, and at the same time, commemorate the IMO, by establishing the capital sum finally received from IMO as a Trust Fund and devoting the interest received from the fund to founding one or more Exhibitions for financing students engaged on research or advanced training in meteorology.

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AGENDA ITEM 23

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ELECTIONS OF PRESIDENTS AND VICE-PRESIDENTS OF TECHNICAL COMMISSIONS

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THE CONGRESS

decides that the first President of each Technical Commission of the World Meteorological Organization shall hold office only until the end of the first session of that Commission, at which time elections shall be held in accordance with the appropriate provisions of the General Regulations.

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AGENDA ITEM 29

Original: ENGLISH

Draft Resolution A.H.

DISCREPANCY BETWEEN ENGLISH AND FRENCH TEXTS OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE CONVENTION

THE CONGRESS:

noting: that a discrepancy exists between the English and French texts of Article 5, paragraph (a) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization signed at Washington on 11th October, 1947; and

noting that the Minutes of the 28th Meeting of the Conference of Directors of the International Meteorological Organization at Washington in September/October, 1947, support the French text of the said Article;

decides that the French text of Article 5, paragraph (a) of the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization shall be considered as expressing the will and intent of the contracting States.

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AGENDA ITEM 29

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Draft Resolution A.H.

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UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION FUND

(Submitted by the Chairman of Committee I)

CONGRESS

Considering Staff Regulation 6.1, which provides for the participation of the Organization and of Staff Members subject to the approval of the Executive Committee in a Pension Fund which may be the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund; and

Considering the regulations governing the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund which require the appointment amongst others of some governmental representatives by Congress;

Authorizes the Executive Committee to appoint such member or members required by the regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, if necessary.

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AGENDA ITEM 27

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY GENERAL

Application for post of Secretary-General from
Dr. J.S. Farquharson Meteorological Office
Air Ministry, London

Nationality : British

Born : 30 June 1904.

Degrees : Master of arts with first class honours in mathematics and natural philosophy 1925.
Doctor of science 1944, Aberdeen University.

Experience : Meteorological Office 1925-1951
Chief met.officer Anglo-Egyptian Sudan 1935/36
Squadron Leader liaison officer with Office National Meteorologique 1939/40
Director Iraqi Met. Service 1940/42
met.adviser air headquarters India (Delhi) 1942
Chief met.officer 21 army group and S.H.A.E.F. 1944/45
Chief met.officer bomber command 1946/48
Chief forecaster with status of assistant Director Met.Office 1948/51

Languages : First class knowledge of French spoken and written. Reading knowledge of German.

Signed: J.S. FARQUHARSON